

To: Bowman, Liz[Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]
From: Bennett, Tate[/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=1FA92542F7CA4D01973B18B2F11B9141-BENNETT, EL]
Sent: Wed 5/31/2017 9:36:59 AM (UTC)
Subject: Re: LCSA Rules

Works for me!

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Nancy – Are we doing a press release on the framework rules being sent to OMB? I understand

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Who is the comms person for OCSPP?

Liz Bowman
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
Deputy Associate Administrator for Public Affairs
Office: 202-564-3293

Message

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Sent: 10/16/2017 12:17:37 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: FOR APPROVAL - INTERVIEW REQUEST: Red River Farm Network - Dicamba - Monday AM

Well, just shoot the talkers over and we can review quickly

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 8:11 AM
To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR APPROVAL - INTERVIEW REQUEST: Red River Farm Network - Dicamba - Monday AM

Will see if the reporter can wait.

Thanks ng

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Office of Public Affairs
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202-564-6879 (desk)
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) **(mobile)**

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Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 8:08 AM
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Sent: Friday, October 13, 2017 6:13 PM

To: Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: FOR APPROVAL - INTERVIEW REQUEST: Red River Farm Network - Dicamba - Monday AM

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Sent: Friday, October 13, 2017 5:05 PM

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Subject: RE: FOR APPROVAL - INTERVIEW REQUEST: Red River Farm Network - Dicamba - Monday AM

Nancy Beck, do you want to do – or do you want Rick to do?

From: Grantham, Nancy

Sent: Friday, October 13, 2017 5:04 PM

To: Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>

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Sent: Friday, October 13, 2017 4:20 PM

To: Press <Press@epa.gov>

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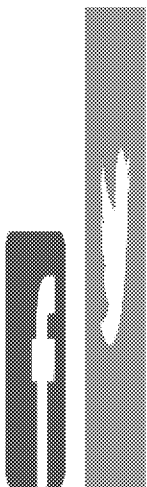
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Sent: 10/14/2017 1:58:07 PM
To: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: FOR APPROVAL - INTERVIEW REQUEST: Red River Farm Network - Dicamba - Monday AM

Yes if Nancy beck gives ok

Sent from my iPad

On Oct 13, 2017, at 4:35 PM, Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov> wrote:

Are you fine with him doing this?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
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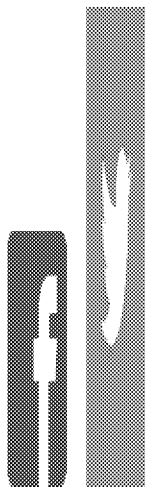
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Sent: 8/2/2017 7:10:03 PM
To: Jackson, Ryan [jackson.ryan@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: FW:

On 7/24 Kevin Bogardus submitted a FOIA for the letter/all records on the complaint from the Sierra Club against Pruitt's claims about climate. That request was fulfilled yesterday, 8/2 by Michael Bender, with no heads up to OPA. And, the response to Bogardus wasn't due until 8/30.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jackson, Ryan
Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 3:03 PM
To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: FW:

What was it about?

Ryan Jackson
Chief of Staff
U.S. EPA

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> On Aug 2, 2017, at 3:00 PM, Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:
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> Why did Kevin Bogardus from E&E all of a sudden get a response to a FOIA today, without any awareness from our FOIA office? And, who filled this FOIA? Seems very fishy.
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> From: Kevin Bogardus [mailto:kbogardus@eenews.net]
> Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 2:57 PM
> To: Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz
> <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Graham, Amy
> <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>;
> Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James
> <hewitt.james@epa.gov>
> Subject: RE: Scientific Integrity Committee Clears Pruitt Against
> Sierra Club's 'Climate Denier' Charge
>
> Hey guys, one more follow-up. I just got the following documents through FOIA and attached to this email – the letter (already reported on) and the “Allegation” report (new).
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> I don't have any questions for you and I wanted to give you a heads up about the piece. That said, I'm happy to add any thoughts you have to the piece.
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> If you wish to comment, please get back to me as soon as possible. My deadline is 4 pm EST today. Thanks for your help.
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> -Kevin
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> From: Kevin Bogardus
> Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 5:12 PM
> To: 'Wilcox, Jahan'
> <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov<mailto:wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>>; Bowman, Liz
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> Subject: RE: Scientific Integrity Committee Clears Pruitt Against
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> Thanks for letting me know, Jahan. If you do get a copy of the letter, please send it my way – it will just be “obtained by E&E News” for attribution. Thanks again.
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> -Kevin
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> From: Wilcox, Jahan [mailto:wilcox.jahan@epa.gov]
> Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 5:09 PM
> To: Kevin Bogardus

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> Subject: RE: Scientific Integrity Committee Clears Pruitt Against
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> We don't have this but noticed it was on the Examiner's website:
> <https://www.scribd.com/book/355277408/EPA>
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> Hopefully that helps.
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> From: Kevin Bogardus [mailto:kbogardus@eenews.net]
> Sent: Tuesday, August 1, 2017 5:02 PM
> To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov<mailto:Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>>;
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> Subject: FW: Scientific Integrity Committee Clears Pruitt Against
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> Hi, it's Kevin Bogardus with E&E News.
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> Quick question: Can you share a copy of the EPA Scientific Integrity Review Panel letter that is
referenced in this story below?
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> Please get back to me as soon as possible. Thank you for your help.
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> From: EPA Press Office [mailto:press@epa.gov@cmail19.com] On Behalf Of
> EPA Press Office
> Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 4:50 PM
> To: Kevin Bogardus <kbogardus@eenews.net<mailto:kbogardus@eenews.net>>
> Subject: WFB: Scientific Integrity Committee Clears Pruitt Against
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> The Sierra Club has failed in its attempt to label Scott Pruitt a violator of the Environmental
Protection Agency's Scientific Integrity Policy.
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> Pruitt is off the hook for expressing an opinion about global warming, as a scientific review panel
ruled that it is within EPA policy to call for rigorous debate on the issue, according to a letter
obtained by the Washington Free Beacon.
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> "The freedom to express one's opinion about science is fundamental to EPA's Scientific Integrity Policy
even (and especially) when that point of view might be controversial," wrote Dr. Thomas Sinks, the
director of the EPA's Office of the Science Advisor.
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> The Sierra Club filed a complaint to the inspector general against Pruitt in March, alleging Pruitt violated the Scientific Integrity Policy by saying during an interview that there is disagreement among scientists about whether CO2 is the primary driver of global warming.

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> The inspector general referred the allegation to Dr. Francesca Grifo, the EPA's Scientific Integrity Official, who then passed along the Sierra Club's complaint to the EPA Scientific Integrity Committee.

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> The committee cleared Pruitt of the charge, and, in fact, defended the EPA administrator for expressing his opinion and encouraging "vigorous debate."

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> "In his response, the Administrator expressed his opinion regarding contributions to global warming and called for more debate, review, and analysis as a precursor to any future EPA policy decision on the matter," the Scientific Integrity Review Panel said. "This expression of opinion, which was not made in a decisional context, is fully within the protections of EPA's Scientific Integrity Policy and does not violate that Policy. We also note that, in his remarks, the Administrator did not suppress or alter Agency scientific findings."

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> The EPA panel went further in refuting the Sierra Club's interpretation of the Scientific Integrity Policy. The liberal environmentalist group had branded Pruitt a "climate denier" in its complaint.

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> "Expressing an opinion about science is not a violation of the EPA Scientific Integrity Policy," the EPA panel said. "Indeed, the Scientific Integrity Policy—in the spirit of promoting vigorous debate and inquiry—specifically encourages employees to express their opinion should the employee disagree with scientific data, scientific interpretations, or scientific conclusions."

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> The Sierra Club did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

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> The group's complaint was spurred by an interview Pruitt gave to CNBC, where he was asked, "Do you believe that it's been proven that carbon dioxide is the primary control knob for climate?"

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> Pruitt responded: "No. I think that measuring with precision human activity on the climate is something very challenging to do and there's tremendous disagreement about the degree of impact. So no, I would not agree that it's a primary contributor to the global warming that we see. But we don't know that yet... We need to continue the debate and continue the review and the analysis."

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> The letter was signed by Dr. Sinks, and sent to Elena Saxonhouse, a senior attorney for the Sierra Club, and Joanne Spalding, the group's chief climate counsel.

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Message

From: Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/19/2019 4:07:27 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: Is this the latest list? Regional event plans for Lead-Dust Rule Signing

I wouldn't mind sending up a revised list ot Alex.

From: Strauss, Linda
Sent: Monday, June 17, 2019 2:53 PM
To: Dunn, Alexandra <dunn.alexandra@epa.gov>; Bertrand, Charlotte <Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov>; Beck, Nancy <Beck.Nancy@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Altieri, Sonia <Altieri.Sonia@epa.gov>; Tyler, Tom <Tyler.Tom@epa.gov>; Hanley, Mary <Hanley.Mary@epa.gov>
Subject: Awareness - Evolving plans and dates -- Regional event plans for Lead-Dust Rule Signing

Some events are being **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** other regions are keeping **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Summary of Regional Events

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Message

From: Dunton, Cheryl [Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/16/2019 5:17:28 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: Asbestos packet edits
Attachments: Asbestos SNUR press release 04 16 19 11AM.docx; asbestos exclusive talkers 04 16 19 11AM.docx; Asbestos FAQ Doc 04 16 19 11AM.docx; Asbestos Infographic 4.16.2019-01.png; Asbestos SNUR comms plan 04 16 19 11AM.docx

Hi Andrea – I've attached the following. What are the next steps? Are you running the docs through Justin/OGC? Will you send around a final OPA/OGC cleared packet at some point? Thanks.

1. Press release – includes edits from Alex, Corry, and both sets from OGC
2. Talkers – minor corrections/edits to what you sent back
3. FAQ document – our edits/updates to this; note there is 3 pages not sure what's wrong with the formatting
4. OCSPP infographic – one minor edits where we Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
5. Comms plan – revised with new major messages (same as in Alex's talkers)

Other:

1. John's graphics – you got our comments on those; you'll let me know if you need text for the posts?
2. Media calls – you'll send me a schedule/list?

Cheryl Dunton
Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
202-564-4893

Message

From: MacIntyre, Mark [Macintyre.Mark@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/30/2019 5:07:55 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
CC: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]; Hubbard, Carolyn [Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov]; Holsman, Marianne [Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Draft PFAS Grants Press Release4-18 jm edits 2_AD.docx -- needs an approved quote

Nancy: is it OK is we Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2019 2:31 PM
To: Fitzpatrick, Kacey <Fitzpatrick.Kacey@epa.gov>; Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>
Cc: Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>; Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov>; MacIntyre, Mark <Macintyre.Mark@epa.gov>; Dunbar, Bill <dunbar.bill@epa.gov>; Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>; McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa <Mcclain-Vanderpool.Lisa@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Draft PFAS Grants Press Release4-18 jm edits 2_AD.docx -- needs an approved quote

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Please close hold until Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Thanks ng

From: Beach, Christopher
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2019 5:01 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Draft PFAS Grants Press Release4-18 jm edits 2_AD.docx -- needs an approved quote

Here is updated and approved quote. Thanks!

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2019 7:14 AM
To: Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: Draft PFAS Grants Press Release4-18 jm edits 2_AD.docx -- needs an approved quote

Hi – this includes Jess and Andrea edits – needs an approved quote through chris beach thank ng

Message

From: Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/24/2019 9:37:19 PM
To: Skadowski, Suzanne [Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov]
CC: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Holsman, Marianne [Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: FYI: USACE Permit Nanushuk -- EPA CWA 404 elevation letter

Lee is calling Chris now to discuss [Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)]

I'm waiting for someone to share [Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)]

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 24, 2019, at 5:23 PM, Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Allison,

Heads up on this. We sent a CWA 404 elevation letter to the Alaska Corps yesterday, signed by Chris and [Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)] Today our Alaska office staff received upset calls from at least one of the state agencies, who had been tipped off. [Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)] [Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)] We are not sure if [Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)] [Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)]

Suzanne Skadowski
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Region 10 Pacific Northwest - Seattle
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From: Jensen, Amy A.
Sent: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 2:02 PM
To: Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: USACE Permit PAO-25 Nanushuk

-Amy

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Amy Jensen
Regional Wetland Coordinator
U.S. EPA, Region 10
Wetlands and Oceans Section, Water Division
1200 Sixth Avenue, Mail Stop 14-D12
Seattle, Washington 98101-3140
Office: (206) 553-0285; Cell: [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Email: jensen.amy@epa.gov

From: R10-ORA

Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 4:05 PM

To: Szerlog, Michael <Szerlog.Michael@epa.gov>; Jensen, Amy A. <jensen.amy@epa.gov>; Owens, Kim <Owens.Kim@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: USACE Permit PAO-25 Nanushuk

All,

I wasn't sure how/if to include you on the cc so I'm sending this way.

If questions please let me know.

Pam

(206) 553-2598

From: R10-ORA

Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 4:02 PM

To: Borders, Phillip J (Phil) COL USARMY CEPOA (US) <Phillip.J.Borders@usace.army.mil>;
David.S.Hobbie@usace.army.mil

Cc: Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>; Opalski, Dan <Opalski.Dan@epa.gov>; Detwiler, Susan K. <detwiler.susan@epa.gov>

Subject: USACE Permit PAO-25 Nanushuk

Col. Borders:

Please see attached, sent on behalf of Regional Administrator Chris Hladick, Region 10, US EPA.

Should you have any questions please contact David Allnutt, Director Laboratory Sciences and Applied Sciences Division (206) 553-2581.

Sincerely,

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CC: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Holsman, Marianne [Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: FYI: USACE Permit Nanushuk -- EPA CWA 404 elevation letter

Appreciate this heads up! I just got a similar note from my program folks .

Sent from my iPhone

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To: Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: USACE Permit PAO-25 Nanushuk

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Email: jensen.amy@epa.gov

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Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 4:05 PM

To: Szerlog, Michael <Szerlog.Michael@epa.gov>; Jensen, Amy A. <jensen.amy@epa.gov>; Owens, Kim <Owens.Kim@epa.gov>

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David.S.Hobbie@usace.army.mil

Cc: Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>; Opalski, Dan <Opalski.Dan@epa.gov>; Detwiler, Susan K. <detwiler.susan@epa.gov>

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From: Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/15/2019 1:44:53 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
CC: Dunton, Cheryl [Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov]
Subject: Asbestos Coms Packet
Attachments: Asbestos SNUR comms plan 04 15 19 AM.docx; Asbestos SNUR Press Release 04 15 19 AM.docx; Asbestos web 04 15 19 AM.docx; Asbestos tweets 04 15 19 AM.docx; Asbestos Backpocket Questions 04 15 19 rev.docx; asbestos exclusive talkers_AD 4.15.19 rev.docx

Andrea, here's the packet. Can your shop make copies of these – or do you need me to do?

Message

From: Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/17/2019 1:05:04 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Dunton, Cheryl [Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov]
Subject: these are the last version of the talkers with the right top lines? -- FW: Asbestos Roll-Out Status Check and Current Documents
Attachments: Asbestos SNUR press release 04 16 19 2PM.docx; Asbestos FAQ Doc 04 16 19 2PM.docx; Asbestos Infographic 4.16.2019-01.png; Asbestos_infographic-1-3.jpg; Asbestos_infographic-2-2.jpg; Asbestos_infographic-3.jpg; Asbestos_infographic-4-2.jpg; Asbestos_infographic-5-2.jpg; asbestos exclusive talkers 04 16 19 2PM.docx; Asbestos SNUR comms plan 04 16 19 2PM.docx; Asbestos web 04 16 19 2PM.docx; Asbestos Backpocket Questions 04 16 19 11AM.docx; asbestos exclusive talkers 04 16 19 2PM.docx



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talkers 04 16 19 ...

From: Strauss, Linda
Sent: Wednesday, April 17, 2019 8:36 AM
To: Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Asbestos Roll-Out Status Check and Current Documents

Are these the final set?

From: Dunton, Cheryl
Sent: Tuesday, April 16, 2019 3:23 PM
To: Dunn, Alexandra <dunn.alexandra@epa.gov>; Beck, Nancy <Beck.Nancy@epa.gov>; Bertrand, Charlotte <Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov>; Baptist, Erik <Baptist.Erik@epa.gov>
Cc: Hanley, Mary <Hanley.Mary@epa.gov>; Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>; Tyler, Tom <Tyler.Tom@epa.gov>; Altieri, Sonia <Altieri.Sonia@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Asbestos Roll-Out Status Check and Current Documents

I'm putting this packet from OPA plus the attached back pockets in your books for tonight. Later tonight/tomorrow morning, whenever I get confirmation OPA/OGC has cleared the public facing materials, I'll send you a new set of everything electronically and get you new printed materials for the morning.



Asbestos
Backpocket Que...

From: Drinkard, Andrea
Sent: Tuesday, April 16, 2019 2:13 PM
To: Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Schwab, Justin <Schwab.Justin@epa.gov>;

Lis-Coghlan, Kamila <lis-coghlan.kamila@epa.gov>; Dunn, Alexandra <dunn.alexandra@epa.gov>; Beck, Nancy <Beck.Nancy@epa.gov>

Cc: Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>

Subject: Asbestos Roll-Out Status Check and Current Documents

Hi all—

Thank you for your time and attention to all of the Asbestos roll-out materials. I wanted to put all of the updated documents in one place so that folks can make any necessary last minute adjustments. Please let me know ASAP if you have any edits to the press release. I will finalize the release at 4pm. For the remaining documents, please send me any edits by COB.

Thanks!

Press Release

Chris: Please have AAW review, I think we're close enough to final for his review



Asbestos SNUR
press release 04 ...

FAQs (updated from proposal)

Note: I left these in track changes so everyone could see the updates OCSPP made.



Asbestos FAQ Doc
04 16 19 2PM.do...

Topline messages/Alex's talkers



asbestos exclusive
talkers 04 16 19 ...

Comms Plan

James: Please let us know when you've got a confirmed list of interviews as well as the times.



Asbestos SNUR
comms plan 04 1...

Infographics (both OPA and OCSPP)



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Infographic 4.16....

Web Updates



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16 19 2PM.docx

Andrea Drinkard
Senior Advisor (detail)
EPA Office of Public Affairs
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Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Message

From: Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]
Sent: 10/8/2019 7:35:41 PM
To: Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]; Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]
CC: Aguirre, Janita [Aguirre.Janita@epa.gov]; Mejias, Melissa [mejias.melissa@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Phone call logistics for consideration

Jennifer has had or is scheduled for calls with **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** The last one will be at 9am tomorrow.

I'll check in, in the AM on the status of any quotes.

From: Bennett, Tate
Sent: Tuesday, October 08, 2019 3:28 PM
To: Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
Cc: Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Aguirre, Janita <Aguirre.Janita@epa.gov>; Mejias, Melissa <mejias.melissa@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Phone call logistics for consideration

Good deal. All clear?

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 8, 2019, at 3:14 PM, Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov> wrote:

One note to Andrea- we defer to you on any potential reach out to **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

From: Dennis, Allison
Sent: Tuesday, October 08, 2019 3:03 PM
To: Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>
Cc: Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Aguirre, Janita <Aguirre.Janita@epa.gov>; Mejias, Melissa <mejias.melissa@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Phone call logistics for consideration

Hi Tate,

As I communicated earlier, Dave is on board with the plan below. We made one modification to our list-

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Wadlington, Christina" <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>
Date: October 8, 2019 at 11:11:08 AM EDT
To: "Dennis, Allison" <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
Cc: "McClain, Jennifer" <McClain.Jennifer@epa.gov>
Subject: Phone call logistics for consideration

Allison,

Please let me know if this works.

Logistics: The calls will happen starting this afternoon and into tomorrow depending on availability. We would request quotes by Thursday morning.

Suggested topics for quotes:

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Phone call details

One-on-One phone calls with details:

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Phone calls made by Jennifer

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One-on-one phone calls informing of the release using

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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Phone calls made by Tate

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Phone calls made by Mel

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Phone call made by Allison

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Phone calls made by OPA

Message

From: Mclain, Jennifer [Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov]
Sent: 10/4/2019 4:00:11 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Special purpose call on the LCR - RA Briefing Paper
Attachments: RABriefingLCR.10.2.19.v3.docx; ATT00001.htm

Jennifer

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Mejias, Melissa" <mejias.melissa@epa.gov>
Date: October 4, 2019 at 11:56:31 AM EDT
To: "Deziel, Dennis" <Deziel.Dennis@epa.gov>, "Lopez, Peter" <lopez.peter@epa.gov>, "Servidio, Cosmo" <Servidio.Cosmo@epa.gov>, "Walker, Mary" <walker.mary@epa.gov>, "Stepp, Cathy" <stepp.cathy@epa.gov>, "McQueen, Ken" <McQueen.Ken@epa.gov>, "Gulliford, Jim" <gulliford.jim@epa.gov>, "Sopkin, Gregory" <sopkin.gregory@epa.gov>, "Stoker, Michael B." <stoker.michael@epa.gov>, "Hladick, Christopher" <hladick.christopher@epa.gov>
Cc: "Mclain, Jennifer" <Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov>, "Moraff, Kenneth" <Moraff.Ken@epa.gov>, "Laureano, Javier" <laureano.javier@epa.gov>, "Libertz, Catherine" <Libertz.Catherine@epa.gov>, "Gettle, Jeaneanne" <Gettle.Jeaneanne@epa.gov>, "Holst, Linda" <holst.linda@epa.gov>, "Maguire, Charles" <maguire.charles@epa.gov>, "Robichaud, Jeffery" <Robichaud.Jeffery@epa.gov>, "O'Connor, Darcy" <oconnor.darcy@epa.gov>, "Torres, Tomas" <Torres.Tomas@epa.gov>, "Opalski, Dan" <Opalski.Dan@epa.gov>, "Aguirre, Janita" <Aguirre.Janita@epa.gov>, "Dennis, Allison" <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
Subject: Special purpose call on the LCR - RA Briefing Paper

Dear Regional Administrators,

As a follow-up to yesterday's LCR call, please find attached a one page briefing paper. This document is close hold and not for external distribution.

Please let me know if you have any questions and have a great weekend!

Best Regards,
Melissa Mejias, Confidential Assistant to
Dave Ross, Assistant Administrator, Office of Water
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Room 3226B WJC East
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Mobile: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Email: mejias.melissa@epa.gov

Message

From: Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/12/2019 2:00:49 PM
To: Kramer, Jessica L. [kramer.jessical@epa.gov]
CC: Harwood, Jackie [Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov]; Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]; Foster, Stiven [Foster.Stiven@epa.gov]; McLain, Jennifer [McLain.Jennifer@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: New York Times Media inquiry

Thanks Jess! We'll be on standby for next steps.

Also, so this group is aware, Jess sent over:

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kramer, Jessica L.
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 9:45 AM
To: Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>
Cc: Harwood, Jackie <Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Foster, Stiven <Foster.Stiven@epa.gov>; McLain, Jennifer <McLain.Jennifer@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: New York Times Media inquiry

Hi Everyone,

Thanks for your work on this! I will be sending these onto John Konkus to provide.

Thanks!

Jess

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From: Wadlington, Christina
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 9:32 AM
To: Kramer, Jessica L. <kramer.jessical@epa.gov>
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Jess, for completion here is the SDWA Fact Sheet that we discussed.

Please let us know next steps and we'll be on standby for any follow up and/or logistics for the potential lpm.

-----Original Message-----

From: Harwood, Jackie
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 9:28 AM
To: Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Kramer, Jessica L. <kramer.jessical@epa.gov>
Cc: Foster, Stiven <Foster.Stiven@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: New York Times Media inquiry

Hi Christina,

Attached is our one-pager. As I mentioned, we shortened the earlier version you sent out to include only information that:

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Also, Stiven Foster will be representing OLEM in the off the record interview this afternoon, and I'll be calling in as well.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need anything else from us.
Thanks.

Jackie Harwood
Communications Director
Office of Land and Emergency Management (OLEM/OCPA) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

(202) 564-7578

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Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 9:38 PM

To: Harwood, Jackie <Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov>; Kramer, Jessica L. <kramer.jessical@epa.gov>

Cc: Foster, Stiven <Foster.Stiven@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>

Subject: New York Times Media inquiry

Ladies,

Just to ensure we're all on the same page for tomorrow here are my notes:

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A few follow ups for Jess/OPA, in the event of an interview:

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Please let me know if I missed anything or you need anything from me.

Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]
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Please see my last. I added an updated SDWA fact sheet version.

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Jess

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From: Wadlington, Christina
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 9:32 AM
To: Kramer, Jessica L. <kramer.jessical@epa.gov>
Cc: Harwood, Jackie <Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Foster, Stiven <Foster.Stiven@epa.gov>; McLain, Jennifer <McLain.Jennifer@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: New York Times Media inquiry

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Jackie Harwood
Communications Director
Office of Land and Emergency Management (OLEM/OCPA) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
(202) 564-7578
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Sent: 3/12/2019 1:37:47 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]
CC: Harwood, Jackie [Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov]; Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]; Foster, Stiven [Foster.Stiven@epa.gov]; Mclain, Jennifer [Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: New York Times Media inquiry

Can you send me an email with both of the documents as PDFs that then I can forward onto John?

Sent from my iPhone

> On Mar 12, 2019, at 9:31 AM, Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov> wrote:
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> Sent from my iPhone
> <OLEM - PFAS GW Cleanup Recommendations.3.12.19.docx>
> <SDWA_FactSheet_FINAL021119.pdf>

Message

From: Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/12/2019 11:21:04 AM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: New York Times Media inquiry

It needs work but I can't add anything it has to be OLEM.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 12, 2019, at 6:55 AM, Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov> wrote:

Can you share the background document?

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Dennis, Allison" <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
Date: March 11, 2019 at 10:06:11 PM EDT
To: "Wadlington, Christina" <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>
Cc: "Harwood, Jackie" <Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov>, "Kramer, Jessica L." <kramer.jessical@epa.gov>, "Foster, Stiven" <Foster.Stiven@epa.gov>, "Drinkard, Andrea" <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: New York Times Media inquiry

Adding Andrea

Sent from my iPhone

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Message

From: Aguirre, Janita [Aguirre.Janita@epa.gov]
Sent: 2/19/2019 7:26:23 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Tiago, Joseph [Tiago.Joseph@epa.gov]; Mejias, Melissa [mejias.melissa@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: more info - FW: PFAS & Ag

I only used that language that was included in Tate's message "Any edits, OW".

Melissa – do you have any input from your call with Tate on what is open for edits?

Thank you,
Janita

Janita Aguirre – Special Assistant
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency | Office of Water
Phone: (202) 566-1149 | Email: aguirre.janita@epa.gov

From: Wadlington, Christina
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 2:23 PM
To: Aguirre, Janita <Aguirre.Janita@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Tiago, Joseph <Tiago.Joseph@epa.gov>; Mejias, Melissa <mejias.melissa@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: more info - FW: PFAS & Ag

Janita,

Can you clarify what you mean "edits"?

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From: Aguirre, Janita
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 1:46 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Mclain, Jennifer <Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov>; Tiago, Joseph <Tiago.Joseph@epa.gov>; Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Mejias, Melissa <mejias.melissa@epa.gov>
Subject: more info - FW: PFAS & Ag
Importance: High

Melissa received this from Tate's office, which provides more information for the PFAS & Ag meeting. Please keep this as a close hold.

Note that this may also be covered today at 3pm if there is time.

Andrea – any edits from the OW comms/messaging perspective? If so, please let Melissa know.

Thank you,
Janita

Janita Aguirre – Special Assistant
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From: Mejias, Melissa
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 1:23 PM
To: Aguirre, Janita <Aguirre.Janita@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: PFAS & Ag

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Bennett, Tate" <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>
Date: February 19, 2019 at 1:18:44 PM EST
To: "Mejias, Melissa" <mejias.melissa@epa.gov>
Cc: "Eby, Natasha" <eby.natasha@epa.gov>, "Molina, Michael" <molina.michael@epa.gov>, "Beach, Christopher" <beach.christopher@epa.gov>
Subject: PFAS & Ag

Any edits, OW? Melissa- there is a chance they can tackle this in today's 3 PM meeting and not do tomorrow. Call me and I will explain further. Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Natasha- Attached is:

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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) OW might have some edits to the work doc and so Melissa can get you the final version on that. Dave and I set up this meeting to talk through messaging with AAW prior to his speech to talk through messaging.

Message

From: Risley, David [Risley.David@epa.gov]
Sent: 10/2/2019 9:17:33 PM
To: Rodrick, Christian [rodrick.christian@epa.gov]; Frye, Tony (Robert) [frye.robert@epa.gov]; Kaiser, Sven-Erik [Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov]; Skane, Elizabeth [Skane.Elizabeth@epa.gov]; Spraul, Greg [Spraul.Greg@epa.gov]
CC: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: 10/3 announcement of WaterSense Partner Awards
Attachments: WaterSense Partner Awards Regional Template PR 10-2-19.docx; WaterSense Partner Awards Regional Template PR 10-2-19 REDLINE.docx; WaterSense Partner Awards National PR 10-2-19.docx; WaterSense Partner Awards Comms Plan 9-30-19.docx; 2019 WaterSense Excellence Award Winners.xlsx

FYI

David Risley
EPA Office of Water
Acting Deputy Communications Director

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: Risley, David
Sent: Wednesday, October 02, 2019 5:16 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Regional Public Affairs Directors <Regional_Public_Affairs_Directors@epa.gov>
Cc: Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: 10/3 announcement of WaterSense Partner Awards

Hi all,

Just following up on tomorrow's announcement of WaterSense Partner Awards. I'm attaching a clean and a redline update to the Regional template press release. As you know, potential partner quotes for Regional releases are below. I'm also attaching the partner contact information if you need it, the comms plan, and the national press release as FYI. As a reminder, this is to go

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Best,
David

David Risley
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Sent: Tuesday, October 01, 2019 9:20 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Regional Public Affairs Directors <Regional_Public_Affairs_Directors@epa.gov>
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Sent: Tuesday, October 01, 2019 12:30 PM
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Sent: Tuesday, September 24, 2019 11:13 PM

To: Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>

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Message

From: Lieberman, Paige [Lieberman.Paige@epa.gov]
Sent: 8/30/2018 7:23:32 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: are you in the hypoxia task force meeting right now? they are talking about press strategy

Paige Lieberman
Acting Director of Stakeholder Engagement
Office of Water
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20460
(202) 564-9957

Message

From: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: 9/10/2018 8:28:13 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Draft Comms Strategy for Regional Administrator Visit to Puerto Rico and the USVI (Sept 17 - 20)
Attachments: Puerto Rico USVI Trip Comms Strategy Sept 10 DRAFT.docx

fyi

Nancy Grantham
Office of Public Affairs
US Environmental Protection Agency
202-564-6879 (desk)

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (mobile)

From: regionalpress
Sent: Monday, September 10, 2018 4:27 PM
To: Darwin, Henry <darwin.henry@epa.gov>; DeBell, Kevin <debell.kevin@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Draft Comms Strategy for Regional Administrator Visit to Puerto Rico and the USVI (Sept 17 - 20)

FYI .. this is what Pete Lopez mentioned on the sr. leadership call today – as possibly wanting

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) thanks ng

Nancy Grantham
Office of Public Affairs
US Environmental Protection Agency
202-564-6879 (desk)

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (mobile)

From: Kluesner, Dave
Sent: Monday, September 10, 2018 11:12 AM
To: regionalpress <regionalpress@epa.gov>
Cc: Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; Rini, Sophia <Rini.Sophia@epa.gov>; Rodriguez, Elias <Rodriguez.Elias@epa.gov>
Subject: Draft Comms Strategy for Regional Administrator Visit to Puerto Rico and the USVI (Sept 17 - 20)

Attached is a draft communications strategy for your awareness, review and input. Please note that the strategy acknowledges the sensitivities of, and possible need to modify due to, Hurricane Florence impacts. Our current plan is to

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David W. Kluesner



U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2
Deputy Director, Public Affairs
290 Broadway, 26th Floor
New York, NY 10007

212.637.3653 (Office)

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Cell)

Message

From: Drinkard, Andrea [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=808A6B7B65BF447F93DAD2F510FEAF61-ADRINKAR]
Sent: 6/19/2019 10:23:20 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: lead package - minus latest press release

Region 1:

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Region 2 (checking to see whether Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP))

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Region 3:

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Region 10:

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On Jun 19, 2019, at 5:50 PM, Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov> wrote:

Hello Andrea,

Do you have a regional comms plan with all of the activities that the regions are doing? I need this for Ryan...

Thank you!

From: Strauss, Linda

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 3:48 PM

To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>

Cc: Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Dunn, Alexandra <dunn.alexandra@epa.gov>; Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>; Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>; Gordon, Stephen <gordon.stephen@epa.gov>; Bolen, Derrick <bolen.derrick@epa.gov>; Dickerson, Aaron <dickerson.aaron@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>

Subject: lead package - minus latest press release

Alex asked that I sent this around. Andrea, can you add the latest HQ press release to these? I'm not sure I have it.

Thanks, Linda

Linda

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Sent: 9/18/2019 6:07:59 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: 3Ts MOU announcement plan -- for discussion

Yes, please do.

On Sep 18, 2019, at 2:07 PM, Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

Can I share with pads? We have talked about this here – and it would be good for them to see who the partners are

Thanks ng

From: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2019 2:06 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Risley, David <Risley.David@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Kasper, Amanda <Kasper.Amanda@epa.gov>; Carter, Brittany S. <carter.brittany@epa.gov>
Subject: 3Ts MOU announcement plan -- for discussion

Hi all—

We discussed with each of you on different occasions the plan for announcing a new 3Ts Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that

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Basically, the MOU provides a framework for

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We are targeting October 3rd for the announcement. Our goal for the rollout will be to have a HQ press release that is amplified by all of the partners as well as the regions. We will be asking each partner to provide a quote to the agency that we will either include in the release or in a WTAS at the end of the day. We are also suggesting that OW work with OPA and the regions to

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We will also work with the regions to have them

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We will continue to highlight throughout October as well as part of the LCR rollout which we are targeting for October 10.

For awareness, there will be a meeting of the partners (outlined below) during which we will let them know that the MOU is final (signed by everyone) and what the rollout plan is. We can continue to work on the plan, but for a minimum we will tell them that we are announcing the MOU on October 3, we will need a quote from them, we want them to amplify (as appropriate) and we are under an embargo until that date.

Please let me know if you have thoughts on this approach.

Thanks!

The MOU will be signed at the AA level, not at the Administrator/Secretary level by the following agencies/departments/organizations.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Water
U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of Rural Development
U.S. Department of Education, Office of Safe and Supportive Schools
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Indian Health Service, and Head Start Program
U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education
American Water Works Association
American School Health Association
Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies
Association of State Drinking Water Administrators
Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.
National Association of Water Companies
National Rural Water Association
Rural Community Assistance Partnership
United South and Eastern Tribes

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Message

From: Deitz, Rachel [Deitz.Rachel@epa.gov]
Sent: 8/5/2014 2:04:01 PM
To: Deegan, Dave [Deegan.Dave@epa.gov]
CC: Stangl, Emily [Stangl.Emily@epa.gov]; Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Daily Wrap 8/4/14

We sent him the link to our site with our most recent studies and reiterated that we have not changed our position that the use of tire crumbs is protective. We also added a line about encouraging consultation with state authorities in regards to the reuse of materials for building and construction. I can send you the entire response, if you would like it.

Thanks!
Rachel

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 5, 2014, at 9:15 AM, "Deegan, Dave" <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Guys – just curious if we could get a cliff notes sense of how we responded to New Haven Register re. tire recycling?

Thanks!!
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Dave Deegan

U.S. EPA, New England Regional Office

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email: [deegan.dave@epa.gov](mailto:deegan.dave@epa.gov)

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**From:** Stangl, Emily  
**Sent:** Monday, August 04, 2014 5:05 PM  
**To:** AO OEAAE OMR Daily Wrap  
**Subject:** Daily Wrap 8/4/14

**Air**

870 AM [Received 8/4] – CLOSED. Coal-fired Power Plant Economics. DDL: 8/04  
Pittsburgh Business Times [Received 8/4] – OPEN. Coal-fired Power Plant Economics. DDL: 8/05  
**Chemical Safety**

NYT [Received 8/4] – Allyl Isothiocyanate in clothing. DDL: 8/05.  
**Enforcement**

Cincinnati Enquirer [Received 7/30] – CLOSED. Ohio re-negotiations of settlements. Interview approved by OPS. Scheduled for 8/4. DDL: 8/04  
The Washington Examiner [Received 8/1] – OPEN. EJ in Action blog criteria. DDL: 8/04  
**Waste**

Associated Press Nashville [Received 7/14] – OPEN- Fact Checking Coal Ash Statement. Sent to region 5 for input. DDL: ASAP



C-SPAN [received 8/1/14]- CLOSED. Info on NSES Media Event. Sent to ORCR/ USPS for input. USPS is responding. DDL: ASAP

Energy Daily [received 7/21/14] OPEN- Duke Energy Spill. Region 4 and OPS are responding. DDL: 7/21/14

Freelance Reporter [received 7/30]- CLOSED- Embridge Spill. Sent to reporter: DDL 7/30/14

Food Bank of Northern AL [received 8/1/14]- CLOSED- Food Waste. DDL 8/2/14

Indianapolis Star [received 7/22/14]- OPEN- Sewage Storage Tank Questions. Sent to OW for input. DDL: 7/23/14

Legal News & Data [received 7/30/14]- CLOSED- Center for Biological Diversity petition for PVC as haz waste. DDL- 8/1/14

National Geographic [received 7/30/14]- CLOSED- Superfund fact checking. DDL: 8/1/14

New Haven Register [received 7/22/14]- CLOSED- Tire recycling. DDL: 7/22/14

Oil Express [received 7/25/14]- CLOSED- UST insurance follow up questions sent to reporter. DDL: flexible.

Resource Recycling [received 7/24/14]-OPEN- CRT devices/glass Disposal-Requestor filed a FOIA. DDL: 7/25/14

Tribal Voices [received 7/31/14] -CLOSED- Information on the NSES program. DDL 7/31/14

University of Florida Communications [received 7/31/14]- OPEN- Media plans for joint UF/ ORD/ OSWER study. Sent to OSWER for input. DDL: Flexible

WAFF 48 [received 7/24/14]- CLOSED- Superfund cleanup at Redstone Arsenal. DDL: 7/30/14

## **Water**

ABC [Received 8/3] – CLOSED 8/3 – Inquiry on Toledo situation, sent statement.

Al Jazeera [Received 8/4] – OPEN – Inquiry on regulations on algal toxins. Waiting for statement. Deadline 8/4.

AP [Received 8/4] – CLOSED 8/4 – Inquiry on other states w/algal issues, told him that states have primacy so we don't track it. Deadline 8/4.

CBS Evening News [Received 8/4] – OPEN – Inquiry on the state of drinking water in the US. Did background interview w/Peter Grevatt. May call back for an on-camera. Deadline 8/5.

Coloradoan [Received 7/30] – OPEN – Request for information on fluoridation. Sent to OPS. Deadline 8/4.

Flow Control [Received 8/1] – OPEN – Request for interview on stormwater initiatives. Sent to program. Deadline 8/8.

Freelancer [Received 8/4] – OPEN – Request for update on timing of fracking study. Waiting for approved response from Pittsburgh Post-Gazette inquiry. Deadline unknown.

Greenwire [Received 7/30] – CLOSED 8/4 – Request for clarification of ag interpretive rule. Sent statement, follow-up response with OPS. Deadline 7/31.

Huffington Post Green [Received 7/31] – OPEN – Request for response on water reports. Sent to OPS. Deadline 7/31.

Inside EPA [Received 6/4] – OPEN – WIFIA interview request. OPS approved, scheduled for 8/7. Deadline flexible.

NBC News [Received 8/4] – Inquiry on the Toledo situation, sent statement and fact sheet on HABs. Deadline 8/4.

NBC 24 [Received 8/3] – CLOSED 8/4 – Inquiry on situation in Toledo. Sent statement.

NPR [Received 8/4] – CLOSED 8/4 – Interview request on situation in Toledo. Did one on background w/Peter Grevatt and Eric Burneson. Deadline 8/4.

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette [Received 8/1] – OPEN – Inquiry and interview request on long-term fracking study. Sent to OPS. Deadline 8/4.

Reuters [Received 8/4] – OPEN – Inquiries on 316b and CAFO withdrawal. Deadline 8/5.

Time [Received 8/4] – CLOSED 8/4 – Interview request on situation in Toledo. Did one on background w/Peter Grevatt and Eric Burneson. Deadline 8/4.

Message

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**From:** McMichael, Nate [McMichael.Nate@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/11/2019 3:47:41 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: CFO Public Calendar

Yes - that is my understanding, at least.

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 11:46 AM  
**To:** McMichael, Nate <McMichael.Nate@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: CFO Public Calendar

Is she going in permanently? Thanks ng

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**From:** McMichael, Nate <McMichael.Nate@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 11:24 AM  
**To:** Dibble, Christine <Dibble.Christine@epa.gov>; Amorosi, Joanne <Amorosi.Joanne@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** CFO Public Calendar

Hi Christine –

Nancy mentioned last week that we would like to post David Bloom's calendar now that he is Acting CFO. I gave him a heads up and he's happy to do so. Can you please add Joanne Amorosi to your calendar distribution list? She will be filling in for me next week.

Also, I haven't told many people outside of OCFO yet so please keep it close hold, but I will be leaving OCFO in mid-October. When I do, **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Thanks!  
-Nate

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Nate McMichael  
Office of the Chief Financial Officer  
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**From:** Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 10/10/2019 2:35:58 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: America's Children and the Environment Booklet Red Flag Review: Comments needed by 5:00 pm (EST) October 10  
**Attachments:** ACE2019-V11.pdf; ATT00001.htm; Americas.Children.and.theEnvironment.Press.Release.October.9.docx; ATT00002.htm

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Hackel, Angela" <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>  
**To:** "Nagle, Kathleen" <Nagle.Kathleen@epa.gov>, "Norcross, Jeffrey" <Norcross.Jeffrey@epa.gov>, "Gutro, Doug" <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>, "Kluesner, Dave" <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>, "Mears, Mary" <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>, "Ward, Prentiss" <Ward.Prentiss@epa.gov>, "Beers, Samantha" <Beers.Samantha@epa.gov>, "Nitsch, Chad" <Nitsch.Chad@epa.gov>, "Blakely, Lashon" <Blakely.Lashon@epa.gov>, "Thomas-Burton, Tami" <Thomas-Burton.Tami@epa.gov>, "Jenkins, Brandi" <Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov>, "Suero, Maryann" <suero.maryann@epa.gov>, "Walts, Alan" <walts.alan@epa.gov>, "Kelley, Jeff" <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>, "Selzer, Paula" <Selzer.Paula@epa.gov>, "Gray, David" <gray.david@epa.gov>, "McAtee, Jeffrey" <McAtee.Jeffrey@epa.gov>, "Moses, Althea" <Moses.Althea@epa.gov>, "Tapp, Joshua" <Tapp.Joshua@epa.gov>, "Carey, Curtis" <Carey.Curtis@epa.gov>, "Bartels, Kimberly" <Bartels.Kim@epa.gov>, "Mutter, Andrew" <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>, "Wood, Melaniel" <Wood.Melaniel@epa.gov>, "Menghrajani, Jacquelyn" <Menghrajani.Jacquelyn@epa.gov>, "Glenn, William" <Glenn.William@epa.gov>, "Fiedorczyk, Bryan" <Fiedorczyk.Bryan@epa.gov>, "Nogi, Jill" <nogi.jill@epa.gov>, "Holsman, Marianne" <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>, "DeLuca, Isabel" <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>, "Dennis, Allison" <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>, "Dieu, Martin" <Dieu.Martin@epa.gov>, "Drinkard, Andrea" <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>, "Dunton, Cheryl" <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>, "Fitzpatrick, Kacey" <Fitzpatrick.Kacey@epa.gov>, "Gentile, Laura" <Gentile.Laura@epa.gov>, "Han, Kaythi" <Han.Kaythi@epa.gov>, "Harwood, Jackie" <Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov>, "Hubbard, Carolyn" <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>, "Hull, George" <Hull.George@epa.gov>, "Maguire, Megan" <Maguire.Megan@epa.gov>, "Millett, John" <Millett.John@epa.gov>, "Richardson, RobinH" <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>, "Risley, David" <Risley.David@epa.gov>, "Rosado, Ryan" <rosado.ryan@epa.gov>, "Sauerhage, Maggie" <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>, "Stachowiak, Robert" <Stachowiak.Robert@epa.gov>, "Tanner, Lee" <Tanner.Lee@epa.gov>, "Carter-Jenkins, Shakeba" <Carter-Jenkins.Shakeba@epa.gov>, "Brown, Margot" <Brown.Margot@epa.gov>, "Briskin, Jeanne" <Briskin.Jeanne@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** "Grantham, Nancy" <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** America's Children and the Environment Booklet Red Flag Review: Comments needed by 5:00 pm (EST) October 10

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We are working on a very accelerated timeline and I will need all red flag edits back by 5:00 pm tomorrow.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you!

Angela

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## Appointment

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**From:** Thomas, Latosha [Thomas.Latosha@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/18/2019 3:47:16 PM  
**To:** Thomas, Latosha [Thomas.Latosha@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]; Anley-Mills, Melissa [Anley-Mills.Melissa@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** PIO Discussion  
**Attachments:** draft ESF#15\_2019\_draft.docx  
**Location:** Nancy's Office - Call Melissa at: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)  
**Start:** 4/4/2019 8:00:00 PM  
**End:** 4/4/2019 8:30:00 PM  
**Show Time As:** Busy

Hi!

I thought it would be good to revive the PIO discussions that we were having!

- ESF 15 SOP comments (Annex M)
- ER press inquiries tracking
- What data would be useful for PIOs to have (number of PRs, inquiries, etc.)
- Response.epa.gov
- Social media (infographics, canned messaging, etc.)
- Training
- Next steps

Latosha's comments re: ESF-15 SOP:

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Message

**From:** Darwin, Veronica [darwin.veronica@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/14/2019 1:23:42 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Hackel, Angela [Hackel.Angela@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: EPA Lead Implementation Plan Status Report and Tracker: Final Review Needed by COB 3/18

I'll be there. Thanks.

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 14, 2019 9:22 AM  
**To:** Darwin, Veronica <darwin.veronica@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: EPA Lead Implementation Plan Status Report and Tracker: Final Review Needed by COB 3/18

Can you join the PAD call today – it is at 2:30?

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**From:** Darwin, Veronica  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 14, 2019 9:19 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: EPA Lead Implementation Plan Status Report and Tracker: Final Review Needed by COB 3/18

Nancy,

Can you please help me explain Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP). I added a  
statement in the narrative re: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)  
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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP). Let me know if you wish to discuss further. Thanks.

Veronica

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**From:** Hackel, Angela  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:44 PM  
**To:** Dieu, Martin <Dieu.Martin@epa.gov>; Germann, Sandy <Germann.Sandy@epa.gov>; Harwood, Jackie <Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov>; Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>; Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>; Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>; Tanner, Lee <Tanner.Lee@epa.gov>; Hockstad, Leif <Hockstad.Leif@epa.gov>; Shoaff, John <Shoaff.John@epa.gov>; Brown, Stephanie <Brown.Stephanie@epa.gov>; Firestone, Michael <Firestone.Michael@epa.gov>; Hauff, Amanda <Hauff.Amanda@epa.gov>; Leonard, Darlene <Leonard.Darlene@epa.gov>; Foster, Stiven <Foster.Stiven@epa.gov>; Zartarian, Valerie <Zartarian.Valerie@epa.gov>; Aguirre, Janita <Aguirre.Janita@epa.gov>; McMichael, Nate <McMichael.Nate@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Darwin, Veronica <darwin.veronica@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** EPA Lead Implementation Plan Status Report and Tracker: Final Review Needed by COB 3/18

Hi Everyone,

Thank you very much for your feedback and edits on the tracker. Attached is the working final version of the tracker, for your final review. Please note, that we will be making additional formatting edits as we move along.

Also, attached is the DRAFT Lead Action Plan Status Report. We needed to introduce the tracker so this is a one-time report that will accompany the initial update. The document lists the activities your program offices submitted for the October 18, Protecting Children From Lead Exposures that were relevant to EPA actions under the Federal Lead Action Plan. We added most accomplishments for 2nd Quarter FY19. We will be conducting formatting and reference checks as we move forward in finalizing this document.

Both of these documents are close hold. Please let me know what edits you have by NLT COB, March 18.

Thanks again for your review. We greatly appreciate it!

Angela



Message

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**From:** Hubbard, Carolyn [Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 10/10/2019 5:09:27 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: America's Children and the Environment Booklet Red Flag Review: Comments needed by 5:00 pm (EST) October 10

I'm out of my meeting and just tried to call.

Carolyn Hubbard  
Communications Director  
EPA Office of Research and Development  
202-564-2189

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 10, 2019 12:52 PM  
**To:** Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: America's Children and the Environment Booklet Red Flag Review: Comments needed by 5:00 pm (EST) October 10

I just looked at the edits and have some questions .. can you give me a call? Thanks ng

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**From:** Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 10, 2019 12:07 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: America's Children and the Environment Booklet Red Flag Review: Comments needed by 5:00 pm (EST) October 10

Hi Nancy- I edited the press release, see attached. I think this helps clarify what the announcement is really about. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks!

Carolyn

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 09, 2019 6:19 PM  
**To:** Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: America's Children and the Environment Booklet Red Flag Review: Comments needed by 5:00 pm (EST) October 10

Of course

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**From:** Hubbard, Carolyn <[Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov](mailto:Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 9, 2019 6:19 PM

**To:** Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Re: America's Children and the Environment Booklet Red Flag Review: Comments needed by 5:00 pm (EST) October 10

Yes please can we chat in the morning?

Carolyn Hubbard  
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On Oct 9, 2019, at 6:17 PM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

Happy to discuss thanks

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**From:** Maguire, Megan <[Maguire.Megan@epa.gov](mailto:Maguire.Megan@epa.gov)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 9, 2019 5:34 PM

**To:** Hackel, Angela <[Hackel.Angela@epa.gov](mailto:Hackel.Angela@epa.gov)>; Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>

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Hi Angela- We are a bit confused about the language about EPA researchers in the press release and the letter from the Administrator in the beginning of the report.

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From the letter:

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And from the press release:

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Thanks,  
Megan

Megan Maguire  
US EPA, Office of Research and Development

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**From:** Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 09, 2019 4:45 PM

**To:** Nagle, Kathleen <Nagle.Kathleen@epa.gov>; Norcross, Jeffrey <Norcross.Jeffrey@epa.gov>; Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>; Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>; Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; Ward, Prentiss <Ward.Prentiss@epa.gov>; Beers, Samantha <Beers.Samantha@epa.gov>; Nitsch, Chad <Nitsch.Chad@epa.gov>; Blakely, Lashon <Blakely.Lashon@epa.gov>; Thomas-Burton, Tami <Thomas-Burton.Tami@epa.gov>; Jenkins, Brandi <Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov>; Suero, Maryann <suero.maryann@epa.gov>; Walts, Alan <walts.alan@epa.gov>; Kelley, Jeff <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>; Selzer, Paula <Selzer.Paula@epa.gov>; Gray, David <gray.david@epa.gov>; McAtee, Jeffrey <McAtee.Jeffrey@epa.gov>; Moses, Althea <Moses.Althea@epa.gov>; Tapp, Joshua <Tapp.Joshua@epa.gov>; Carey, Curtis <Carey.Curtis@epa.gov>; Bartels, Kimberly <Bartels.Kim@epa.gov>; Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>; Wood, MelanieL <Wood.MelanieL@epa.gov>; Menghrajani, Jacquelyn <Menghrajani.Jacquelyn@epa.gov>; Glenn, William <Glenn.William@epa.gov>; Fiedorczyk, Bryan <Fiedorczyk.Bryan@epa.gov>; Nogi, Jill <nogi.jill@epa.gov>; Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>; DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Dieu, Martin <Dieu.Martin@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Fitzpatrick, Kacey <Fitzpatrick.Kacey@epa.gov>; Gentile, Laura <Gentile.Laura@epa.gov>; Han, Kaythi <Han.Kaythi@epa.gov>; Harwood, Jackie <Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov>; Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>; Maguire, Megan <Maguire.Megan@epa.gov>; Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Risley, David <Risley.David@epa.gov>; Rosado, Ryan <rosado.ryan@epa.gov>; Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>; Stachowiak, Robert <Stachowiak.Robert@epa.gov>; Tanner, Lee <Tanner.Lee@epa.gov>; Carter-Jenkins, Shakeba <Carter-Jenkins.Shakeba@epa.gov>; Brown, Margot <Brown.Margot@epa.gov>; Briskin, Jeanne <Briskin.Jeanne@epa.gov>

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**From:** Hubbard, Carolyn [Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 10/10/2019 4:55:14 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: America's Children and the Environment Booklet Red Flag Review: Comments needed by 5:00 pm (EST) October 10

Yes- in a meeting now. Will call after.

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Communications Director  
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**From:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 10, 2019 12:52 PM  
**To:** Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: America's Children and the Environment Booklet Red Flag Review: Comments needed by 5:00 pm (EST) October 10

I just looked at the edits and have some questions .. can you give me a call? Thanks ng

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**From:** Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 10, 2019 12:07 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: America's Children and the Environment Booklet Red Flag Review: Comments needed by 5:00 pm (EST) October 10

Hi Nancy- I edited the press release, see attached. I think this helps clarify what the announcement is really about. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks!

Carolyn

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 09, 2019 6:19 PM  
**To:** Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: America's Children and the Environment Booklet Red Flag Review: Comments needed by 5:00 pm (EST) October 10

Of course

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Yes please can we chat in the morning?

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On Oct 9, 2019, at 6:17 PM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

Happy to discuss thanks

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**From:** Maguire, Megan <[Maguire.Megan@epa.gov](mailto:Maguire.Megan@epa.gov)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 9, 2019 5:34 PM

**To:** Hackel, Angela <[Hackel.Angela@epa.gov](mailto:Hackel.Angela@epa.gov)>; Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>

**Cc:** Hubbard, Carolyn <[Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov](mailto:Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: America's Children and the Environment Booklet Red Flag Review: Comments needed by 5:00 pm (EST) October 10

Hi Angela- We are a bit confused about the language about EPA researchers in the press release and the letter from the Administrator in the beginning of the report.

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From the letter:

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And from the press release:

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Thanks,  
Megan

Megan Maguire  
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**From:** Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 09, 2019 4:45 PM

**To:** Nagle, Kathleen <Nagle.Kathleen@epa.gov>; Norcross, Jeffrey <Norcross.Jeffrey@epa.gov>; Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>; Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>; Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; Ward, Prentiss <Ward.Prentiss@epa.gov>; Beers, Samantha <Beers.Samantha@epa.gov>; Nitsch, Chad <Nitsch.Chad@epa.gov>; Blakely, Lashon <Blakely.Lashon@epa.gov>; Thomas-Burton, Tami <Thomas-Burton.Tami@epa.gov>; Jenkins, Brandi <Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov>; Suero, Maryann <suero.maryann@epa.gov>; Walts, Alan <walts.alan@epa.gov>; Kelley, Jeff <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>; Selzer, Paula <Selzer.Paula@epa.gov>; Gray, David <gray.david@epa.gov>; McAtee, Jeffrey <McAtee.Jeffrey@epa.gov>; Moses, Althea <Moses.Althea@epa.gov>; Tapp, Joshua <Tapp.Joshua@epa.gov>; Carey, Curtis <Carey.Curtis@epa.gov>; Bartels, Kimberly <Bartels.Kim@epa.gov>; Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>; Wood, MelanieL <Wood.MelanieL@epa.gov>; Menghrajani, Jacquelyn <Menghrajani.Jacquelyn@epa.gov>; Glenn, William <Glenn.William@epa.gov>; Fiedorczyk, Bryan <Fiedorczyk.Bryan@epa.gov>; Nogi, Jill <nogi.jill@epa.gov>; Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>; DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Dieu, Martin <Dieu.Martin@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Fitzpatrick, Kacey <Fitzpatrick.Kacey@epa.gov>; Gentile, Laura <Gentile.Laura@epa.gov>; Han, Kaythi <Han.Kaythi@epa.gov>; Harwood, Jackie <Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov>; Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>; Maguire, Megan <Maguire.Megan@epa.gov>; Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Risley, David <Risley.David@epa.gov>; Rosado, Ryan <rosado.ryan@epa.gov>; Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>; Stachowiak, Robert <Stachowiak.Robert@epa.gov>; Tanner, Lee <Tanner.Lee@epa.gov>; Carter-Jenkins, Shakeba <Carter-Jenkins.Shakeba@epa.gov>; Brown, Margot <Brown.Margot@epa.gov>; Briskin, Jeanne <Briskin.Jeanne@epa.gov>

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**Sent:** 10/10/2019 2:40:20 PM  
**To:** Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Egan, Patrick [egan.patrick@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: America's Children and the Environment Booklet Red Flag Review: Comments needed by 5:00 pm (EST) October 10

Thank you so much! Appreciate it!

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**From:** Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 10, 2019 10:40 AM  
**To:** Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Egan, Patrick <egan.patrick@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: America's Children and the Environment Booklet Red Flag Review: Comments needed by 5:00 pm (EST) October 10

Angela,  
OECA is signed off. No red flags from us. Thanks, George

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**From:** Hackel, Angela [Hackel.Angela@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/13/2019 11:43:43 PM  
**To:** Dieu, Martin [Dieu.Martin@epa.gov]; Germann, Sandy [Germann.Sandy@epa.gov]; Harwood, Jackie [Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov]; Hubbard, Carolyn [Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov]; Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]; Millett, John [Millett.John@epa.gov]; Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]; Tanner, Lee [Tanner.Lee@epa.gov]; Hockstad, Leif [Hockstad.Leif@epa.gov]; Shoaff, John [Shoaff.John@epa.gov]; Brown, Stephanie [Brown.Stephanie@epa.gov]; Firestone, Michael [Firestone.Michael@epa.gov]; Hauff, Amanda [Hauff.Amanda@epa.gov]; Leonard, Darlene [Leonard.Darlene@epa.gov]; Foster, Stiven [Foster.Stiven@epa.gov]; Zartarian, Valerie [Zartarian.Valerie@epa.gov]; Aguirre, Janita [Aguirre.Janita@epa.gov]; McMichael, Nate [McMichael.Nate@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Darwin, Veronica [darwin.veronica@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** EPA Lead Implementation Plan Status Report and Tracker: Final Review Needed by COB 3/18  
**Attachments:** EPA Lead Action Plan Implementation 03 13 19.docx; Review.Final.Implementation of EPA Actions Under the Federal Lead Action Plan 03 13 2019.docx

Hi Everyone,

Thank you very much for your feedback and edits on the tracker. Attached is the working final version of the tracker, for your final review. Please note, that we will be making additional formatting edits as we move along.

Also, attached is the DRAFT Lead Action Plan Status Report. We needed to introduce the tracker so this is a one-time report that will accompany the initial update. The document lists the activities your program offices submitted for the October 18, Protecting Children From Lead Exposures that were relevant to EPA actions under the Federal Lead Action Plan. We added most accomplishments for 2nd Quarter FY19. We will be conducting formatting and reference checks as we move forward in finalizing this document.

Both of these documents are close hold. Please let me know what edits you have by NLT COB, March 18.

Thanks again for your review. We greatly appreciate it!

Angela

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**From:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/12/2019 12:23:00 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Haman, Patricia [Haman.Patricia@epa.gov]; Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]; Thundiyil, Karen [Thundiyil.Karen@epa.gov]; Davis, Matthew [Davis.Matthew@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: PBR/E15 Comms Docs - Updates

Thank you Nancy!

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On Mar 12, 2019, at 8:22 AM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

Fyi .. close hold

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**From:** Millett, John  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 12, 2019 8:13 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** DeLuca, Isabel <[DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov](mailto:DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: PBR/E15 Comms Docs - Updates

Here are the drafts Molly is working with. Shooting for 2pm.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Millett, John" <[Millett.John@epa.gov](mailto:Millett.John@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** March 11, 2019 at 2:26:13 PM EDT  
**To:** "Block, Molly" <[block.molly@epa.gov](mailto:block.molly@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: PBR/E15 Comms Docs - Updates

Here you go – release edits from Clint; Alex edited the rollout a bit.

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**From:** Woods, Clint  
**Sent:** Monday, March 11, 2019 2:01 PM  
**To:** Dominguez, Alexander <[dominguez.alexander@epa.gov](mailto:dominguez.alexander@epa.gov)>; Millett, John <[Millett.John@epa.gov](mailto:Millett.John@epa.gov)>; Hengst, Benjamin <[Hengst.Benjamin@epa.gov](mailto:Hengst.Benjamin@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Lewis, Josh <[Lewis.Josh@epa.gov](mailto:Lewis.Josh@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: PBR Comms Docs - Updates

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**From:** Dominguez, Alexander  
**Sent:** Monday, March 11, 2019 1:52 PM

**To:** Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Woods, Clint <woods.clint@epa.gov>; Lewis, Josh <Lewis.Josh@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: PBR Comms Docs - Updates

One slight edit to rollout plan. Press release looks good with OTAQs edits. Defer to OPA on quote.

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**From:** Woods, Clint  
**Sent:** Monday, March 11, 2019 1:09 PM  
**To:** Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>; Lewis, Josh <Lewis.Josh@epa.gov>; Dominguez, Alexander <dominguez.alexander@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: PBR Comms Docs - Updates

+ Alex, who is implementing some edits

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**From:** Millett, John  
**Sent:** Monday, March 11, 2019 12:18 PM  
**To:** Woods, Clint <woods.clint@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Lewis, Josh <Lewis.Josh@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: PBR Comms Docs - Updates

From OTAQ for a meeting later, perhaps? – Some updates from over the weekend if it's easier to start from this version . . .

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**From:** Mylan, Christopher  
**Sent:** Monday, March 11, 2019 12:12 PM  
**To:** Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** PBR Comms Docs - Updates

Hi John,

From a Friday meeting with OMB and edits over the weekend, Ben sent me some slightly updated comms docs for the PBR rule.

My understanding is there's a Bill meeting at 2pm today and we would like to share these with him.

Also, in terms of timing, we would now like to post the web live (and have the press release sent at) 2:00 pm tomorrow. We expect signature a little before that time.

Will talk to you shortly.

Thanks,

Christopher Mylan  
Communications Specialist  
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**From:** Sutton, Amanda [Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/5/2019 1:31:54 PM  
**To:** Harwood, Jackie [Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov]; Taylor, Trish [Taylor.Trish@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Overmeyer, Patricia [Overmeyer.Patricia@epa.gov]; Minor-Gordon, Jerry [Minor-Gordon.Jerry@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Revised OBLR MAC Grant Announcement Tool  
**Attachments:** Current FY19 MAC Comm Tool 3.5.19.docx

Please see the attached revised communications tool for OBLR's MAC Grant Announcement this May/June.

Notes:

1. This month (before the 20<sup>th</sup> if possible) we need to schedule another planning meeting with all of us (OPA, OCPA, OBLR and add OCIR) to get input and buy in on the Comms Tool from John Konkus. Trish, I put your name by this item to schedule the meeting.
2. I have added the timeline to the end of the Comms Tool, highlights from the timeline include:
  - a. **OPA should begin working to get on the Administrator's calendar ASAP for the last week in May (and absolutely no later than the first week in June). I put Nancy on that item, based on the meeting discussion. The sooner we can get him scheduled the better.**
  - b. OBLR (Amanda) will provide a draft press release and template for regional press releases as well as content for social media posts
  - c. OBLR (Jerry) will provide a draft list of potential selectees in Mid-May for purposes of planning the Administrator event

**Amanda Sutton**

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**Sent:** 3/6/2019 9:39:01 PM  
**To:** Scott-Forte, Londa [Scott-Forte.Londa@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Widener, Charles (Chuck) [Widener.Charles@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Ryan, Jini [Ryan.Jini@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Upcoming Lead Status Report

Thanks Londa, for the heads-up, I really appreciate it!

Here is some information:

Title: **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Photo ideas: I am fine with the photos that we have been emailing back and forth for the web content. I will let you know if I come across any other photos. If you have any ideas—just let me know.

Chart/data: I know that we will be using the **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**  
**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** At this point that is the only chart I am aware of.

I think we will want to **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Thanks so much and thanks Chuck for your help with 508!

I really appreciate it!

Angela

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**From:** Scott-Forte, Londa  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 6, 2019 4:31 PM  
**To:** Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Widener, Charles (Chuck) <Widener.Charles@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Ryan, Jini <Ryan.Jini@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Upcoming Lead Status Report

Hi Angela,

Thanks for the heads-up on the upcoming lead booklet. Please note that I am also working on a quick turnaround agricultural booklet for next week as well. Any information that you can provide for me in advance (title, cover photo ideas, chart data) will be helpful.

Is this booklet going to be printed? If so, can you let me know the deadline so I can coordinate the printing schedule with the Printshop.

Thanks!  
-Londa

Londa Scott Forte  
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On Mar 6, 2019, at 4:19 PM, Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov> wrote:

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I wanted to keep you in the loop regarding an upcoming lead status report booklet (which is close hold) that we will need your help on. Londa, the goal is to get you the content by the end of the day on March 13. We would like to do one round of only showstopper edits, when the document is formatted. I can work with you on the changes, to help that process run smoothly (as I know it can be a bit difficult). We will need a fast turn around on the first draft. Also, in terms of photos we can use the photos from the lead exposures, lead action plan, children's health booklet and superfund booklet.

We want the attached spreadsheet to be added in as an appendix. I have attached the template so you can see what it looks like. I am not sure exactly the best way to do this—so I am open to any suggestions ideas.

I have received feedback that we would like the formatting to be basic, with a lot of white space (like the EPA strategic plan, <https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2018-08/documents/fy-2018-2022-epa-strategic-plan-print.pdf>).

Chuck, I wanted to give you a heads up as we will need a quick turn around making the document 508 compliant.

Thank you in advance for your help!

Please let me know what questions you have!

As always I really appreciate it your help,

Angela

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**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Ryan, Jini [Ryan.Jini@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Upcoming Lead Status Report

Thanks Angela. We are on standby to assist with making the PDF 508 compliant. Please include Jeff Morin and I on email traffic as the booklet is being developed. That will allow us to see what images are in it and what 508 content we may have to pull from the lead exposures, lead action plan, children's health booklet and superfund booklet to put in this one.

Best,  
Chuck

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**Sent:** Wednesday, March 06, 2019 4:19 PM  
**To:** Scott-Forte, Londa <Scott-Forte.Londa@epa.gov>; Widener, Charles (Chuck) <Widener.Charles@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Ryan, Jini <Ryan.Jini@epa.gov>  
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I wanted to keep you in the loop regarding an upcoming lead status report booklet (which is close hold) that we will need your help on. Londa, the goal is to get you the content by the end of the day on March 13. We would like to do one round of only showstopper edits, when the document is formatted. I can work with you on the changes, to help that process run smoothly (as I know it can be a bit difficult). We will need a fast turn around on the first draft. Also, in terms of photos we can use the photos from the lead exposures, lead action plan, children's health booklet and superfund booklet.

We want the attached spreadsheet to be added in as an appendix. I have attached the template so you can see what it looks like. I am not sure exactly the best way to do this—so I am open to any suggestions ideas.

I have received feedback that we would like the formatting to be basic, with a lot of white space (like the EPA strategic plan, <https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2018-08/documents/fy-2018-2022-epa-strategic-plan-print.pdf>).

Chuck, I wanted to give you a heads up as we will need a quick turn around making the document 508 compliant.

Thank you in advance for your help!

Please let me know what questions you have!

As always I really appreciate it your help,

Angela

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Acting Special Assistant  
Office of the Administrator  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Washington, DC 20460  
Office: 202.566.2977  
Cell: [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

Message

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**From:** Hackel, Angela [Hackel.Angela@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/6/2019 7:05:24 PM  
**To:** Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]; Dieu, Martin [Dieu.Martin@epa.gov]; Germann, Sandy [Germann.Sandy@epa.gov]; Harwood, Jackie [Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov]; Hubbard, Carolyn [Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov]; Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]; McMichael, Nate [McMichael.Nate@epa.gov]; Millett, John [Millett.John@epa.gov]; Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]; Tanner, Lee [Tanner.Lee@epa.gov]; Dunton, Cheryl [Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov]; Firestone, Michael [Firestone.Michael@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Review of Lead Implementation Materials Needed by COB 3/13  
**Attachments:** Lead.Implementation.Booklet.Goal 3.docx; Implementation of EPA Actions Under the Federal Lead Action Plan 03 06 2019.docx

Hi Everyone,

As follow up from today's Communications Directors meeting, I need your office's review of the attached by COB 3/13. The first attachment, is the communications goal (Goal 3) section of the forthcoming lead implementation booklet, which is *close hold*. At this time, we are asking for just your review of the activities that relate to the communications goal (Goal 3) of the Federal Lead Action Plan. The content in this document was pulled from the [Protecting Children from Lead Exposures](#) (October 2018) document and the [Federal Lead Action Plan](#) (December 2018). If you have any examples of things that your office has done so far around the communications goal (that was not included), please send them to me and I will include them.

The second document is the updated Implementation of EPA Actions table— we updated it to include the EPA actions for Goal 3 (the communications goal). At this time, we only need your feedback on Goal 3, as we are concurrently getting feedback on the other goals.

As always if you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Angela

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**From:** Frye, Tony (Robert) [frye.robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/13/2019 3:29:18 PM  
**To:** Gutro, Doug [Gutro.Doug@epa.gov]; Rodrick, Christian [rodrick.christian@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Melanson, Kate [Melanson.Kate@epa.gov]; Wintrob, Paul [Wintrob.Paul@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Call in #s for Pre- Briefs

I sent to Ariel Marshall from her staff

**Tony Frye**  
Special Advisor  
Office of Congressional Affairs  
Environmental Protection Agency  
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**From:** Gutro, Doug  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2019 10:23 AM  
**To:** Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Melanson, Kate <Melanson.Kate@epa.gov>; Wintrob, Paul <Wintrob.Paul@epa.gov>; Frye, Tony (Robert) <frye.robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Call in #s for Pre- Briefs

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**From:** Rodrick, Christian  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2019 10:07 AM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Melanson, Kate <Melanson.Kate@epa.gov>; Wintrob, Paul <Wintrob.Paul@epa.gov>; Frye, Tony (Robert) <frye.robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Call in #s for Pre- Briefs

Doug,

Which offices reached out? Call in info is below—but please keep close hold—House list is over 100 already and we are trying to limit # of EPA staff calling in and offices calling in from multiple lines.

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Senate: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

*Christian Rodrick*  
(202) 564-4828

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**From:** Richardson, RobinH  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2019 10:04 AM  
**To:** Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Melanson, Kate <Melanson.Kate@epa.gov>; Wintrob, Paul

<Wintrob.Paul@epa.gov>; Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Frye, Tony (Robert) <frye.robert@epa.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Call in #s for Pre- Briefs

Hi Doug - Invitations just went out, so hopefully the staff you've received calls from have what they need to call in. In the mean time, let us know who's called and we can double check the invite list to make sure everyone is included. + Christian & Tony who can help. Best, Robin

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[richardson.robinh@epa.gov](mailto:richardson.robinh@epa.gov)

On Feb 13, 2019, at 9:52 AM, Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov> wrote:

We have already received calls from congressional staff who have heard there is a national call today, but don't have the call in #s to provide them. Could the regions get the emails that were sent to states, tribes, congressionals, communities?

Doug Gutro  
Director of Public Affairs  
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Boston MA 02109  
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Fax (617) 918-0021

Message

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**From:** Kluesner, Dave [kluesner.dave@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/4/2019 4:30:25 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Mears, Mary [Mears.Mary@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: PFOA -- heads up

On it.

David Kluesner,  
Deputy Director of Public Affairs  
U.S. EPA, Region 2 (New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico, the U.S. VI and Eight Indian Nations)  
(212) 637-3653 (O)

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Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 4, 2019, at 11:27 AM, Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

See request below – can you send thanks ng

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**From:** Block, Molly  
**Sent:** Monday, February 4, 2019 11:16 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: PFOA -- heads up

Thanks! Can we get a list of outlets/reporters? We have a statement/press release to combat this.

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Monday, February 4, 2019 11:13 AM  
**To:** Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: PFOA -- heads up  
**Importance:** High

See below

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**From:** Mears, Mary  
**Sent:** Monday, February 4, 2019 11:11 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** PFOA  
**Importance:** High

Hi Nancy, Robin and Andrea,

FYI see below related to PFOA and SOTU. We have also just got a media inquiry from NY Newsday asking for a response to a planned media event from Senator Schumer plans today. According to reporter, Senator Schumer will ask EPA to “reverse course on a likely imminent decision to not set drinking water standards for highly toxic chemicals already found on Long Island.”

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**From:** Kluesner, Dave  
**Sent:** Monday, February 4, 2019 9:45 AM  
**To:** Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Rini, Sophia <Rini.Sophia@epa.gov>; Romanowski, Larisa <Romanowski.Larisa@epa.gov>; Kandil, Shereen <Kandil.Shereen@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** this will be of interest to Pete  
**Importance:** High

ALBANY TIMES UNION

Hoosick Falls environmental advocate to attend State of the Union

February 3, 2019

Hoosick Falls resident Michael Hickey, who exposed toxic chemicals polluting water in his Rensselaer County village, will attend the State of the Union in Washington D.C. Tuesday as the guest of U.S. Rep. Antonio Delgado.

Hickey said he was honored and grateful to be joining Delgado.

"Putting a spotlight on the poisoning of residents of Hoosick Falls and Petersburg is exactly what we need to spur action on a local and national level," a statement to the Times Union read.

After the death of his father from cancer, Hickey began testing local water for contaminants. He discovered that a toxic chemical PFOA, emitted from factories nearby, polluted water supplies in and around the village of Hoosick Falls.

The Times Union **reported the discovery** in December 2015. The story also revealed that village and state officials downplayed the problem for more than a year and did not warn residents that the water was unsafe to drink, possibly to protect their efforts to revive the local economy.

Within a week of publication, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) demanded the village warn residents to stop drinking the water. Two months later, the state of New York declared the village would become a Superfund site designated for federally funded clean-up.

In 2016, Hickey **sued two companies** that operated the manufacturing plants which caused the contaminants. He and other Hoosick Falls residents, including mayor Rob Allen elected in 2017, have pushed for compensation and systemic change as the problem persists. A **recent survey** discovered rates of illnesses and cancer caused by pollution were higher than previously estimated.

Delgado, serving his first term as representative for the 19th Congressional District which includes Hoosick Falls, said the situation is **one of his top regional concerns**.

"I've seen personally the devastating effects that PFOA chemicals have had on our communities and on families like Michael Hickey's. He is a true hero in what he has done to spur action," a statement from the representative to the Times Union read. "I'm pleased he will join me for the State of the Union as we send a powerful message that this crisis cannot be ignored. I am committed to working with members on both sides of the aisle to take decisive steps to address water contamination. And I will be a strong voice urging the Administration to step up its efforts to protect the health and safety of communities in Upstate New York and across the country."

Last week, Delgado **sent a letter** to EPA's Acting Administrator Andrew Wheeler urging him to include a commitment to set maximum contaminant levels for the toxic chemicals PFOA and PFAS. Delgado's letter said that the agency's National Management Plan, overdue after a scheduled release in fall 2018, is rumored to not include a maximum level.



Delgado's guest will highlight the issue on a national stage. This year's State of the Union delivered by the President, an annual tradition, was delayed because of the longest shutdown in U.S. history. Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi refused to invite President Donald Trump to give the speech in the House but conceded after the shutdown was temporarily ended.

Every member of Congress can bring one guest to the event. The President and the Speaker of the House may invite up to 24 guests each in their designated boxes.

Congressman Paul Tonko is bringing Gene Karpinski, president of the League of Conservation Voters and a leading national voice for climate action and environmental advocacy.

Congresswoman Elise Stefanik invited Steve Bowman, an Air Force veteran from Plattsburgh, who is the director of the Clinton County Veterans Services Agency.

Hoosick Falls Mayor Rob Allen, who announced Hickey's invitation on Twitter Saturday, said two other advocates from PFAS contaminated communities will attend the State of the Union address Tuesday.

New Hampshire Senator Jeanne Shaheen invited Andrea Amico from grassroots group "Testing for Pease." According to the organization's website, Amico started advocacy after tests exposed water contamination on Pease Air National Guard Base near Portsmouth in 2014. She was personally affected: her husband was employed for a company on Pease for almost 9 years and both of her children attended daycare there since they were 12 weeks old.

Michigan U.S. Rep. Dan Kildee invited Cathy Wusterbarth. According to his office's press release, Wusterbarth is a resident of Oscoda that surrounds former Wurtsmith Air Force Base. PFAS chemicals from the base seeped into surrounding groundwater wells and pose a threat to drinking water sources in Oscoda and across the country.

Kildee's district also includes Flint, where tests in 2015 confirmed dangerous levels of lead in the town's drinking water.

Delgado told reporters a week after he took office that he is working with Kildee and other representatives of affected districts to champion for clean water.

**David W. Kluesner**

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**From:** Wooden-Aguilar, Helena [Wooden-Aguilar.Helena@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/1/2019 5:27:59 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: Redline Strike Through OA-FY17-0382 Administrator's and Associated Staff's Travel Draft Report  
**Attachments:** Administrator Travel Draft Report.docx; ATT00001.htm

Helena Wooden-Aguilar  
Acting Deputy Chief of Staff  
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**From:** "Trent, Bobbie" <[Trent.Bobbie@epa.gov](mailto:Trent.Bobbie@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** December 20, 2018 at 4:22:10 PM EST  
**To:** "Trefry, John" <[Trefry.John@epa.gov](mailto:Trefry.John@epa.gov)>, "Bennett, Angela" <[Bennett.Angela@epa.gov](mailto:Bennett.Angela@epa.gov)>, "Wong, Lela" <[Wong.Lela@epa.gov](mailto:Wong.Lela@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** "Sheehan, Charles" <[Sheehan.Charles@epa.gov](mailto:Sheehan.Charles@epa.gov)>, "Greaves, Holly" <[greaves.holly@epa.gov](mailto:greaves.holly@epa.gov)>, "Bodine, Susan" <[bodine.susan@epa.gov](mailto:bodine.susan@epa.gov)>, "Leopold, Matt (OGC)" <[Leopold.Matt@epa.gov](mailto:Leopold.Matt@epa.gov)>, "Jackson, Ryan" <[jackson.ryan@epa.gov](mailto:jackson.ryan@epa.gov)>, "Bloom, David" <[Bloom.David@epa.gov](mailto:Bloom.David@epa.gov)>, "Christensen, Kevin" <[Christensen.Kevin@epa.gov](mailto:Christensen.Kevin@epa.gov)>, "Conklin, Jeanne" <[Conklin.Jeanne@epa.gov](mailto:Conklin.Jeanne@epa.gov)>, "Wooden-Aguilar, Helena" <[Wooden-Aguilar.Helena@epa.gov](mailto:Wooden-Aguilar.Helena@epa.gov)>, "Packard, Elise" <[Packard.Elise@epa.gov](mailto:Packard.Elise@epa.gov)>, "Jones-Peeler, Meshell" <[Jones-Peeler.Meshell@epa.gov](mailto:Jones-Peeler.Meshell@epa.gov)>, "Atcherson, Aileen" <[Atcherson.Aileen@epa.gov](mailto:Atcherson.Aileen@epa.gov)>, "Anthony, Sherri" <[Anthony.Sherri@epa.gov](mailto:Anthony.Sherri@epa.gov)>, "Spriggs, Gwendolyn" <[Spriggs.Gwendolyn@epa.gov](mailto:Spriggs.Gwendolyn@epa.gov)>, "Benton, Michael" <[benton.michael@epa.gov](mailto:benton.michael@epa.gov)>, "Connell, Lenore" <[Connell.Lenore@epa.gov](mailto:Connell.Lenore@epa.gov)>, "Deane, Benita" <[Deane.Benita@epa.gov](mailto:Deane.Benita@epa.gov)>, "Miller, Tia" <[Miller.Tia@epa.gov](mailto:Miller.Tia@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Redline Strike Through OA-FY17-0382 Administrator's and Associated Staff's Travel Draft Report

Good Afternoon:

Please find attached a redline strike though copy of the draft report, we appreciate your review and consideration on revising the draft report or incorporating into the final report. The agency will provide a formal response on the currently agreed upon due date of January 8, 2019, that may have additional technical or other editorial comments based on OGC comments. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know, thank you.

Bob Trent  
OCFO/OC/PTAD/MIAB  
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**From:** Darwin, Veronica [darwin.veronica@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/28/2019 8:46:36 PM  
**To:** Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** SF-3 CLEAN R2-NJ-BERRYS CREEK STUDY AREA.docx  
**Attachments:** SF-3 CLEAN R2-NJ-BERRYS CREEK STUDY AREA.docx

Per our conversation. Thank you so very much for helping me draft a press release. I'll work on the TPs and will share with R2.

Nancy — **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** R2 is aware — via Kelly K. I spoke with Pete Lopez.

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**From:** Sutton, Amanda [Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/28/2019 1:39:15 PM  
**To:** Harwood, Jackie [Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov]; Overmeyer, Patricia [Overmeyer.Patricia@epa.gov]; Minor-Gordon, Jerry [Minor-Gordon.Jerry@epa.gov]; Taylor, Trish [Taylor.Trish@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting with OPA on June BF Grants Announcement  
**Attachments:** FY19 MAC Comm Tool\_REVISED\_2.5.19.docx

Please see the attached, draft Comms tool for today's discussion. Nancy, not sure if Trish and Jackie passed it along prior to the meeting.

## Amanda Sutton

EPA Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization  
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**From:** Harwood, Jackie  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 13, 2019 11:33 AM  
**To:** Harwood, Jackie; Overmeyer, Patricia; Sutton, Amanda; Minor-Gordon, Jerry; Taylor, Trish; Grantham, Nancy  
**Subject:** Meeting with OPA on June BF Grants Announcement  
**When:** Thursday, February 28, 2019 11:00 AM-12:00 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).  
**Where:** Nancy's Office

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**From:** Haman, Patricia [Haman.Patricia@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/5/2019 5:05:57 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Davis, Matthew [Davis.Matthew@epa.gov]; Thundiyl, Karen [Thundiyl.Karen@epa.gov]; Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: What we are going to post today

Thank you. This is very helpful. Pat

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 5, 2019 10:54 AM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Davis, Matthew <Davis.Matthew@epa.gov>; Thundiyl, Karen <Thundiyl.Karen@epa.gov>; Haman, Patricia <Haman.Patricia@epa.gov>; Bowles, Jack <Bowles.Jack@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: What we are going to post today

Close hold

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**From:** Davis, Alison  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 5, 2019 10:48 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>; DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** What we are going to post today

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**From:** Woods, Clint  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 05, 2019 10:36 AM  
**To:** Davis, Alison <[Davis.Alison@epa.gov](mailto:Davis.Alison@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** DeLuca, Isabel <[DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov](mailto:DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Clint -- How to read a wind rose - for posting

Yes.

On Feb 5, 2019, at 10:33 AM, Davis, Alison <[Davis.Alison@epa.gov](mailto:Davis.Alison@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hey Clint – we were planning to post this today to help people understand how to use the windroses that are on the data map. Are you OK with that?

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**From:** Bremer, Kristen  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 05, 2019 10:23 AM  
**To:** Davis, Alison <[Davis.Alison@epa.gov](mailto:Davis.Alison@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: would you resend the windrose piece

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Kristen Bremer  
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**From:** Davis, Alison  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 05, 2019 10:22 AM  
**To:** Bremer, Kristen <[Bremer.Kristen@epa.gov](mailto:Bremer.Kristen@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** would you resend the windrose piece

<How to read a wind rose\_final.pdf>

**From:** US EPA New England Region [noreply-subscriptions@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/20/2019 4:03:59 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Advisory: Monday 9/23 10:30AM: EPA Funding for Coastal Projects in Rhode Island Announced



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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

September 20, 2019

**\* \* \* Media Event Monday, September 23 in Providence R.I. \* \* \***

**EPA Funding for Coastal Projects in Rhode Island Announced**

**(Providence, R.I.)** – On Monday, September 23, Restore America’s Estuaries will announce the selection and award of more than \$1 million in project grants for seven Rhode Island municipalities and non-profit organizations.

Funding for these grants is provided under the U.S. EPA’s Southeast New England Program (SNEP), a collaboration between RAE and U.S. EPA Region 1. The grant program supports partnerships and innovative approaches to tackle the region’s most pressing environmental issues, such as nutrient pollution, coastal habitat loss, and the impacts of changing climate. The announcement will be followed by a tour of “green infrastructure” in Roger Williams Park — innovative, engineered installations that use plants and natural processes to reduce water pollution while beautifying public landscapes.

**When:** Monday, September 23, at 10:30 a.m.

**Who:** U.S. Senator Jack Reed  
Sean Dixon, EPA Region 1 Chief of Staff  
Nicole Verdi, Chief of Staff for Rhode Island Governor Gina Raimondo  
Sue Kiernan, Deputy Administrator, Office of Water Resources, RIDEM  
City of Providence Mayor Jorge Elorza

**Where:** Roger Williams Park Casino, 1000 Elmwood Ave., Providence, RI, 02907

**Day of Event Contact:** Thomas Ardito, Restore America's Estuaries, 401-575-6109 (c), [tardito@estuaries.org](mailto:tardito@estuaries.org)

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/19/2019 1:23:21 PM  
**To:** Sullivan, Melissa [sullivan.melissa@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Han, Kaythi [Han.Kaythi@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: MELISSA: OCSPP coverage today?

Thanks, Melissa. I have my cell with me, so ask either me or Kaythi – or Nancy, if you're uncertain about whether an inquiry belongs with OCSPP.

Cheers, R.

Robert Daguillard  
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**From:** Sullivan, Melissa <sullivan.melissa@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2019 9:21 AM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Han, Kaythi <Han.Kaythi@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: MELISSA: OCSPP coverage today?

Yes, happy to assist. Hope you feel better soon!

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2019 9:20 AM  
**To:** Sullivan, Melissa <sullivan.melissa@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Han, Kaythi <Han.Kaythi@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** MELISSA: OCSPP coverage today?

Good morning Melissa,

Since I'm out sick today, would you mind taking over new incoming for OCSPP?

If you're game, I'd recommend you

- **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**
- Send any such inquiries to Kaythi Han, OCSPP Acting Communications Director.

There are also OCSPP-related inquiries making their way through the approvals chain. If you get any approvals from OPA, just feel free to send our responses to reporters, for attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson."

Happy to discuss as needed.

Cheers, R.

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**From:** Aaron Cowan [acowan@tspnational.com]  
**Sent:** 12/11/2018 5:31:39 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Official Super Bowl LIII Game Program Ad Package  
**Attachments:** Super Bowl LIII 2019 - 021318 (TSP).pdf; Pro Bowl 2019 - 112718 (TSP).pdf

Hi Nancy,

It was a pleasure to speak with you today, I appreciate you taking the time. Per our conversation we are in the process of wrapping things up with this years game program. I had some remnant opportunities that we wanted to reach out to some of the Government Agencies who have important consumer messages to get them in front of the masses with this years Super Bowl.

We have worked with a few different government agencies such as the US Department of Health and Human Services and US Department of Transportation over the years. I wanted to extend the offer to the EPA to run messaging for any current campaigns or initiatives you may have in place with this years Super Bowl!

With the Super Bowl being held in the Atlanta, GA for only the third time in its 53 year history and the first at the brand new state of the art **Mercedes Benz Stadium**, this is expected to have a huge positive impact for the market. Each year the Super Bowl brings in a massive influx of revenue to the area as well as the very elite of the business community not only locally but nationally.

Always our top property, this year, the program is more attractive than ever and expected to break every attendance record in the book! FOX offered 30 seconds of TV airtime during Super Bowl LII for \$5M, or \$166K per second. The open rate for a full-page 4 color ad in the official program is \$119,500, which is less than the cost of one second of TV advertising and the most cost effective way to be involved with with the biggest media event in the world.

Distribution on the Super Bowl program itself is **1,000,000; readership is 5M**. ADDITIONALLY, in the several weeks preceding and following this year's Super Bowl, the Super Bowl LIII Official Souvenir Magazine Program will be available for free viewing on NFL.com. The site expects to receive more than **50 million unique visits and experience approximately 500 million page views during this time**. It will also be distributed nationally at newsstands, bookstores, airports, hotels, and kiosks.

The package will include the following:

**Official Super Bowl LIII Game Program only \$50,000 net:** This is a \$69,500 savings from the open rate of \$119,500 for this package!

- Full page, Four color ad placement.
- Free full page ad in the Official 2018-19 NFL Pro Bowl Game Program (\$29,500 value)

**\*\*\*This is able to be made payable throughout 2019 at your leisure or on receipt of publication.**

I have attached the PDF media kit for the Super Bowl LIII Program for your review, it also includes a digital copy of last years program. If you have any question or there is anything at all I can help with to facilitate your involvement please do not hesitate to ask.

**Materials Deadline for Super Bowl-1/12**

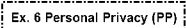
**I again appreciate the time and the opportunity to work with the EPA with Super Bowl LIII!!**

Sincerely,

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**Sr. Director of Sales  
Aaron Cowan**

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***"The Passion of Sports in Print"***

Message

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**From:** Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 11/21/2018 8:43:12 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Looping back on Food Recovery Challenge award announcements

You too!

On Nov 21, 2018, at 3:37 PM, Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

Happy thanksgiving – safe travels

**Nancy Grantham**  
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**From:** Bennett, Tate  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 21, 2018 3:36 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Looping back on Food Recovery Challenge award announcements

Thank you!

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Salyer, Kathleen" <Salyer.Kathleen@epa.gov>  
**Date:** November 21, 2018 at 3:09:36 PM EST  
**To:** "Bennett, Tate" <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>, "Darwin, Veronica" <darwin.veronica@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** "Harwood, Jackie" <Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Looping back on Food Recovery Challenge award announcements

Hi Tate and Veronica,

Good to talk with you both earlier week. I wanted to loop back on a few on the items we discussed. First, we have included Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

## Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) We are suggesting that OPA should do this with their counterparts in the two agencies. The awardees are finalized and the communications package is working its way to OPA. On the PADs call today, Nancy Grantham strongly encouraged the Regions to do a media event with winners in their region. Region 1 has indicated they may be able to do an event with their national winner the week of the announcement.

On a separate note, I had a chance to talk with Lana Suarez on Monday about working with Lee on the Food Waste area of NEEF. She looks forward to working with him and was planning to touch base with him that afternoon.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!!

Kathleen Salyer  
Deputy Director  
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Message

**From:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 11/21/2018 12:52:58 PM  
**To:** Kenney, James [Kenney.James@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Close Hold per IOGCC

Thank you Jim!

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Robin H Richardson  
PDAA/OCIR  
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Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) cell  
richardson.robinh@epa.gov

On Nov 20, 2018, at 3:58 PM, Kenney, James <Kenney.James@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Robin and Jack,  
I understand that

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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) so I am sharing this with you as a close hold. Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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I asked Gerry to think about how

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**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Just wanted you to be aware in the event something is scheduled or gets scheduled before the EOY.

Thanks,

Jim

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James C. Kenney | Senior Policy Advisor for Oil and Gas

Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations | Office of the Administrator | U.S. EPA

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*Please note: I am geographically located in Albuquerque, New Mexico (Mountain Time Zone).*

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## Appointment

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**From:** Birgfeld, Erin [Birgfeld.Erin@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/21/2018 2:39:31 PM  
**To:** Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]; Block, Molly [block.molly@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; DeLuca, Isabel [DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov]; Millett, John [Millett.John@epa.gov]; Hengst, Benjamin [Hengst.Benjamin@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** NOx HD Announcement  
**Attachments:** HD NOx Event Planning Sept 21 2018.docx  
**Location:** DCRoomARN6524/DC-OAR-OTAQ-IO  
**Start:** 9/21/2018 5:00:00 PM  
**End:** 9/21/2018 5:30:00 PM  
**Show Time As:** Tentative

Dear Nancy, Tate and Molly,

AA Wehrum wants us to have a fairly firm plan for this roll out on Monday and I think a discussion with you all about scheduling and planning today would help do this. Amazingly we are all free at this time so thought I'd take a chance and set something up.

I've reserved a room here but am also happy to come to you.

Attached are OTAQ's ideas for event(s).

Thanks,  
Erin



Message

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**From:** Davis, Matthew [Davis.Matthew@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 10/19/2018 11:04:55 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** DeLuca, Isabel [DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov]; Millett, John [Millett.John@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]; Haman, Patricia [Haman.Patricia@epa.gov]; Thundiyil, Karen [Thundiyil.Karen@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: items scheduled

Thanks Nancy! What is Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)?

## Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

-Matthew

On Oct 18, 2018, at 6:00 PM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

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Close hold – as this could change thanks ng

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 10/31/2018 8:18:44 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** NANCY: Close hold - Nancy B. Travel

Nancy, Anna Lowit – OPP Senior Advisor – just informed me

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I'm sure you're already aware of this trip and I got the sense, from listening to Anna, that OPA politicals will be handling inquiries.

Cheers, R.

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**From:** Carey, Curtis [Carey.Curtis@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 10/31/2018 2:30:19 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: RA Superfund Site Visits  
**Attachments:** 2018-10-30 R7 RA Visits to Superfund Sites.docx

Hi Nancy,

I added one additional site visit and stakeholder engagement for Des Moines TCE (DICO) that occurred on May 29.

What are these for?

thanks

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Friday, October 26, 2018 2:26 PM  
**To:** Regional Public Affairs Directors <Regional\_Public\_Affairs\_Directors@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: RA Superfund Site Visits

All – we need these by COB on next Tuesday.

Also, they do not need to be on the emphasis list or any other list – just need to be a superfund site – including delisted sites they may have visited.

Thanks ng

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Friday, October 26, 2018 3:09 PM  
**To:** Regional Public Affairs Directors <Regional\_Public\_Affairs\_Directors@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RA Superfund Site Visits

All –

As discussed on today's call, please send us a list of Superfund site visits (can be events) that your RA has made in the last 6 months.

Thanks ng

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Region 7 Administrator James B. Gulliford

Superfund Site Visits

April 1, 2018 to October 30, 2018

| Date           | Superfund Site (type of activity)                         | City, State    |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| April 19, 2018 | People's Natural Gas Company (On-site Public/Media Event) | Dubuque, IA    |
| April 19, 2018 | John Deere (Dubuque Works) (On-site Public/Media Event)   | Dubuque, IA    |
| May 8, 2018    | West Lake Landfill (Stakeholder Engagement)               | Bridgeton, MO  |
| May 29, 2018   | Des Moines TCE (Dico) (Stakeholder Engagement & Tour)     | Des Moines, IA |
| June 14, 2018  | Omaha Lead (Stakeholder Engagement)                       | Omaha, NE      |
| August 1, 2018 | West Lake Landfill (Stakeholder Engagement)               | Bridgeton, MO  |
| Sept. 27, 2018 | West Lake Landfill (Public/Media Event)                   | Bridgeton, MO  |
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**From:** Wooden-Aguilar, Helena [Wooden-Aguilar.Helena@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 10/22/2018 6:04:57 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Attachments:** Harder, Donelle Binder 10.16.18.pdf; ATT00001.txt

Close hold.

Message

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**From:** Mears, Mary [Mears.Mary@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/10/2018 4:54:05 PM  
**To:** Dickerson, Aaron [dickerson.aaron@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Kluesner, Dave [kluesner.dave@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Request for Template for Scheduling Request

**Importance:** High

Hi Aaron,

I am the Public Affairs Director in Region 2. I hope this email finds you well.

We would like to submit for consideration an invite for Acting Administrator Wheeler, Acting Deputy Administrator Darwin or Assistant Administrator Ross to a media event we are having in Puerto Rico related to the 1 year anniversary of Maria and some great community work we are doing in Puerto Rico.

Nancy Grantham mentioned that there is a template for a scheduling request and thought perhaps you might share that with me so that we may fill it out and send to yourself, Michael Molina and Kevin Debell. Can you share the scheduling template?

Mary Mears  
U.S. EPA Region 2  
Public Affairs Director  
(212) 637-3673 (office)  

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Message

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**From:** Alex Kasprak [alex@snopes.com]  
**Sent:** 8/28/2018 5:12:06 PM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; David Mikkelson [snopes@snopes.com]  
**Subject:** Re: Media inquiry: Snopes.com

Thanks for this, Robert. I'll be in touch with our article.

I don't suppose you would be able to get a comment on why "upper management" asked the asbestos team "to specifically list out certain uses that are no longer ongoing that will require a SNUN" as opposed to the "requiring a significant new notice (SNUN) for all uses that are not ongoing"?

Best,

Alex

On Tue, Aug 28, 2018 at 7:09 AM, Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)> wrote:

Thanks, Alex,

A few points, below, and still for attribution to the agency, please:

The author suggests that because EPA's proposed SNUR does not include all potential, conceivable new uses, it is permitting those uses to go to market without EPA review/approval. That simply isn't true. In fact, if we designed the proposed SNUR to include all possible new uses, EPA would then actually be creating a pathway to bring those banned uses back to market. The proposed SNUR helps keep the 1989 ban on new uses in effect.

Statement: "As a result of that stipulation, any conceivable use in the future that *does not* fall into those categories would, in fact, not be required to undergo any risk evaluation, and therefore "may begin at any time, without any regulatory barriers." "

Response: These conceivable uses can only be in three categories:

- Existed in 1989 and are still ongoing and are being evaluated in our risk evaluation.
- Didn't exist in 1989- were banned and nothing we are doing changes that. These unidentified uses cannot come back.
- Existed in 1989 but are no longer in use – prevented from future use by our SNUR.



Statement: I take exception, as well, with your framing of the issue to suggest that the Obama administration had the chance to block these uses and did not. A 25 April 2018 [email](#) to members of the asbestos SNUR team from Robert Courtnage, obtained by the *New York Times*, pretty clearly shows that that the original plan for the SNUR was, in fact, to affect a blanket ban on all unregulated uses, but “upper management” requested “a different approach”:

Response: The staff email referenced here is from the current administration and does not show any management intent in the previous administration. It is part of discussion EPA was having internally in 2018.

Cheers, R.

Robert Daguiard

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**From:** Alex Kasprak [mailto:[alex@snopes.com](mailto:alex@snopes.com)]

**Sent:** Monday, August 27, 2018 4:29 PM

**To:** Daguiard, Robert <[Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov)>; Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>

**Cc:** David Mikkelsen <[snopes@snopes.com](mailto:snopes@snopes.com)>

**Subject:** Re: Media inquiry: Snopes.com

Hello Robert,

I have read through your comments on our piece, spoken with outside experts, and conducted further research. I agree that a clarification is in order regarding the legal status of currently unregulated asbestos. I am in error in saying that “new uses” — as legally defined in EPA court rulings — were previously banned.

I disagree with your assertion, at least as argued in the document you sent me, that the proposed SNUR does not allow for novel asbestos uses to be approved for use in the future. My primary reason for this disagreement is the suggestion that you are committing to a complete ban on all currently unregulated uses of asbestos when it appears you are not.

My understanding of this SNUR is that it is an enforceable prohibition only for specifically defined uses:

Adhesives, sealants, and roof and non-roof coatings;

arc chutes;

beater-add gaskets;

extruded sealant tape and other tape;

filler for acetylene cylinders;

high-grade electrical paper;

millboard;

missile liner;

pipeline wrap;

reinforced plastics;

roofing felt;

separators in fuel cells and batteries;

vinyl-asbestos floor tile;

and any other building material (other than cement).

As a result of that stipulation, any conceivable use in the future that *does not* fall into those categories would, in fact, not be required to undergo any risk evaluation, and therefore “may begin at any time, without any regulatory barriers.” Please correct me if I am wrong in this assertion.

I take exception, as well, with your framing of the issue to suggest that the Obama administration had the chance to block these uses and did not. A 25 April 2018 email to members of the asbestos SNUR team from Robert Courtnage, obtained by the *New York Times*, pretty clearly shows that that

the original plan for the SNUR was, in fact, to affect a blanket ban on all unregulated uses, but "upper management" requested "a different approach":

After sharing a draft of the proposed SNUR, OCSPP upper management asked us to take a different approach. Instead of requiring a significant new notice (SNUN) for all uses that are not ongoing, after listing and clarifying the currently ongoing uses would not require a SNUN, they have instead asked us to specifically list out certain uses that are no longer ongoing that will require a SNUN.

More generally, your framing of the SNUR regarding asbestos seems to overlook the possibility that any other uses which pass the safety review would, in fact, be approved for use. While I understand the argument that technically these unregulated uses were already allowed, I find that assertion to also be misleading. Your process, in theory, could bestow legal protections upon some of these unregulated uses (as long as they pass your safety review), and although the result may not be a "new use" as understood by the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, it would certainly be a "new use" as understood by the average American.

We are planning on correcting some supporting elements in the original fact check, but for the reasons described above, we do not plan on changing the rating.

We are also planning on running an additional story regarding the PR campaign the EPA has apparently initiated to defend their SNUR, which will explain in more detail why we are not changing the rating. **We would appreciate any comments on the above concerns, as our story will run tomorrow.**

Best,

Alex Kasprak

On Fri, Aug 24, 2018 at 1:56 PM, Alex Kasprak <[alex@snopes.com](mailto:alex@snopes.com)> wrote:

Thank you. Let me review these over the weekend and get back to you on Monday with any questions or concerns. Broadly, I am having trouble squaring how you describe the SNUR process in this critique with your assertion that the proposed SNUR process does not provide a framework for new uses to be approved.

"The June 2018 proposed rule would ban the identified new uses of asbestos and, therefore, would require EPA to evaluate any intended new use of asbestos and, **when necessary**, continue to disallow uses."

What happens when disallowing its use is not "necessary"? Would that not, then, be a formal approval for a new use that came to light through the SNUR?

Best,

Alex

On Fri, Aug 24, 2018 at 1:36 PM, Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)> wrote:

Thanks, Alex. We hope the attached – for attribution to U.S. EPA, please – is helpful.

Let us know if you have any questions or comments.

Cheers, R.

Robert Daguillard

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**From:** Alex Kasprak [<mailto:alex@snopes.com>]

**Sent:** Friday, August 24, 2018 4:31 PM

**To:** Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Re: Media inquiry: Snopes.com

I am. How can I help?

Best,

Alex

On Fri, Aug 24, 2018 at 1:28 PM, Daguiard, Robert <[Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov)> wrote:

Good afternoon Alex,

Are you the right contact to discuss Snopes' recent post on EPA's regulation of Asbestos?

Thanks in advance.

Robert Daguiard

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**From:** Vizian, Donna [Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/5/2018 2:49:51 PM  
**To:** Chu, Ed [Chu.Ed@epa.gov]; Gray, David [gray.david@epa.gov]; Jordan, Deborah [Jordan.Deborah@epa.gov]; Mugdan, Walter [Mugdan.Walter@epa.gov]; Payne, James [payne.james@epa.gov]; Pirzadeh, Michelle [Pirzadeh.Michelle@epa.gov]; Rodrigues, Cecil [rodrigues.cecil@epa.gov]; Strauss, Alexis [Strauss.Alexis@epa.gov]; Szaro, Deb [Szaro.Deb@epa.gov]; Thomas, Deb [thomas.debrah@epa.gov]; Walker, Mary [walker.mary@epa.gov]; McDonald, James [McDonald.James@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Bloom, David [Bloom.David@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Walsh, Ed [Walsh.Ed@epa.gov]; McIlwain, Serena [McIlwain.Serena@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** draft realignment mass mailer  
**Attachments:** 2018 09 05 Realignment Mass Mailer Draft.docx

Hi Everyone,

Attached is the draft mass mailer. Please note that it is subject to change. Of course it is still all close hold.

Best,  
Donna

Message

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 8/10/2018 8:36:43 PM  
**To:** Mills, Derek [Mills.Derek@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: NANCY: Reuters. Civil Litigation. DDL: Pending

Derek, this is what we've sent the reporter, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson." We left Q2 untouched.

**"We are not aware of any such civil litigation guidance or policy for the EPA**

**EPA filings with a court within the context of private civil litigation case where EPA is not a party would be a public record. For instance, if DOJ were to file a motion to intervene on behalf of EPA, that motion would be on record with the court. You should be able to access any such motions with a court record search.**

**Though the timeframe of this request spans more than a decade and EPA has not conducted an exhaustive search of all its records, EPA does not believe that it has taken regulatory action since 2006 based, even in part, on information gathered during civil litigation relating to a recalled product."**

Cheers, R.

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**From:** Mills, Derek  
**Sent:** Friday, August 10, 2018 12:44 PM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: NANCY: Reuters. Civil Litigation. DDL: Pending

Robert,

Can you please clarify which response are on the record, and which are on background?

**Derek Mills**  
Special Assistant, Office of General Counsel  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
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**From:** Daguillard, Robert  
**Sent:** Friday, August 10, 2018 10:56 AM  
**To:** Mills, Derek <Mills.Derek@epa.gov>

Cc: Lynn, Tricia <[lynn.tricia@epa.gov](mailto:lynn.tricia@epa.gov)>; Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>

Subject: RE: NANCY: Reuters. Civil Litigation. DDL: Pending

Good morning Derek,

So, DOJ says they're fine with our proposed response with Q3. So, to summarize, I'll send the responses forward for approval as follows:

Q1: **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Q3: **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Q4: **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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That leaves, Q2, hence my question to Nancy, below:

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Cheers, R.

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**From:** Mills, Derek  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 09, 2018 9:04 AM  
**To:** Daguiard, Robert <[Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: NANCY: Reuters. Civil Litigation. DDL: Pending

From OGC's perspective **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

- Derek

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 9, 2018, at 8:48 AM, Daguiard, Robert <[Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov)> wrote:

Thanks, Derek. So that would supersede our previous proposed response — i.e. **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**



Cheers, R.

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**From:** Mills, Derek  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 08, 2018 5:20 PM  
**To:** Daguiard, Robert <Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: NANCY: Reuters. Civil Litigation. DDL: Pending

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Hope this helps. Thanks!

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**From:** Daguiard, Robert  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 8, 2018 5:15 PM  
**To:** Mills, Derek <Mills.Derek@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: NANCY: Reuters. Civil Litigation. DDL: Pending

Thanks, Derek. Does that change anything in our proposed response to #1 Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Cheers, R.

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**From:** Mills, Derek  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 08, 2018 5:07 PM  
**To:** Daguiard, Robert <Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: NANCY: Reuters. Civil Litigation. DDL: Pending

Robert, for question #1, I asked folks in OGC and in the Regional Counsel's Offices.

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 7, 2018 1:44 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Mills, Derek <Mills.Derek@epa.gov>; Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** NANCY: Reuters. Civil Litigation. DDL: Pending

Nancy, seeking your advice on the following inquiry, from a Reuters reporters, re: EPA's interaction with courts in cases of civil litigation. Are you OK with our proposed response?

Context:

Tricia and I spoke to the reporter this morning. She's on no immediate deadline, although she'd prefer a response by the end of this week.

The reporter told us her outreach to federal agencies is part of much bigger Reuters team project. The agency is looking at the issue of court secrecy. Specifically, they're looking at court action with a variety of actors (government, industry, etc).

The gist of her research on this particular story is that court secrecy might be depriving government agencies of useful information they could use in their regulatory process – since courts have tended to use sealed settlements and similar arrangements as means of protecting trade secrets. She says that to her knowledge, NHTSA and CPSC are the only two agencies that have civil litigation guidance. It looks as though EPA is **\*not\*** a major part of her story, although she says she'll be seeking an on-the-record comment from us.

Her questions, and tentative responses, developed with Derek Mills, who is sitting in for Rich Albores as OGC media relations contact:

**1) Does the EPA have any guidance or policies regarding the use of protective orders, sealing and settlement agreements in private civil litigation? For example, does the EPA encourage the courts and parties in litigation to include a provision in protective orders and settlement agreements that allows dissemination of public-safety related information to the EPA? If so, has the guidance/policy been published? When did it take effect? Can we get a copy of, or a link to the guidance/policy?**

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**2) More generally, how does the EPA typically interact with safety litigation that could have an impact on the work of the EPA and its regulatory responsibilities?**

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**3) Since 2006, has the EPA intervened in civil litigation to attempt to obtain information? If so, please describe the litigation and the information the EPA was attempting to obtain. If**

Was the EPA successful in the intervention?

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4) Since 2006, has the EPA taken any regulatory action based, at least in part, on documents/data that the EPA first became aware of due to civil litigation? If so, please provide some basic information on each instance including the name of the sanctioned party and/or recalled product and date.

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Please advise.

Cheers, R.

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**From:** Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 18, 2018 8:35 AM  
**To:** 'lynn.tricia@epa.gov' <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation

Ms. Lynn,  
My name is Jaimi Dowdell and I'm a reporter with Reuters. We've been doing some research into private civil litigation and how it impacts the regulatory process. As part of that, we're conducting a survey of federal regulatory agencies. Please answer the questions below by Friday, August 3. If you are not the best contact, could you please put me in touch with the proper person? Please let me know if you have any questions.

Kind regards,  
Jaimi

Questions:

- 1) Does the EPA have any guidance or policies regarding the use of protective orders, sealing and settlement agreements in private civil litigation? For example, does the EPA encourage the courts and parties in litigation to include a provision in protective orders and settlement agreements that allows dissemination of public-safety related information to the EPA? If so, has the guidance/policy been published? When did it take effect? Can we get a copy of, or a link to the guidance/policy?
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- 3) Since 2006, has the EPA intervened in civil litigation to attempt to obtain information? If so, please describe the litigation and the information the EPA was attempting to obtain. If Was the EPA successful in the intervention?
- 4) Since 2006, has the EPA taken any regulatory action based, at least in part, on documents/data that the EPA first became aware of due to civil litigation? If so, please provide some basic information on each instance including the name of the sanctioned party and/or recalled product and date.

**Jaimi Dowdell**  
Thomson Reuters  
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**From:** Davis, Matthew [Davis.Matthew@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 8/20/2018 2:41:45 PM  
**To:** DeLuca, Isabel [DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: ACE rule comms

Thank you Isabel- really helpful to have the updated drafts!

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**From:** DeLuca, Isabel  
**Sent:** Monday, August 20, 2018 10:19 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Davis, Matthew <Davis.Matthew@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** ACE rule comms

Hi all,

This is close hold because these are not final, but for your awareness, here are some comms materials on the Affordable Clean Energy (ACE) rule (CPP replacement rule).

I will send you the whole suite of fact sheets as soon as they are final, but wanted you to have something to review now.

Nancy – do you want to **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**?

Thanks,  
Isabel

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**From:** Pucci, Liz [Pucci.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 7/24/2018 1:10:22 PM  
**To:** McMichael, Nate [McMichael.Nate@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** StrategicPlan file KEEP A CLOSE HOLD  
**Attachments:** StrategicPlan\_Master\_7-24.pdf

This is the file – but there is ONE outstanding photo permission I’m waiting on. It’s for the cover and it will be credited on the second to last page.

Thanks,  
liz

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/10/2019 7:51:24 PM  
**To:** Briskin, Jeanne [Briskin.Jeanne@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Pb in aviation fuel  
**Attachments:** 2019-07 Brief for AA Idsal - Communication & Rollout plan for release of our Aircraft Lead Reports.pptx

Close hold thanks ng

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**From:** Briskin, Jeanne <Briskin.Jeanne@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 10, 2019 3:33 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>; Kasper, Amanda <Kasper.Amanda@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Pb in aviation fuel

Dear Nancy and Angela,

OTAQ just provided me with a briefing on the upcoming release of their report **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**. **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** I understand that their FAQs are under review pending release of the report. Would it be possible for me and our lead experts to take a look at them to help make sure that we anticipate and provide good responses to possible questions regarding children?

Thanks,  
Jeanne

**Jeanne Briskin**  
Director, Office of Children's Health Protection  
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<http://www.epa.gov/children>  
<https://www.epa.gov/schools>  
<https://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/about-office-childrens-health-protection-ochp>

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**From:** Wells, Jeffrey [Wells.jeffrey@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/3/2019 9:25:49 PM  
**To:** Phyllis Flaherty [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
**CC:** Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]; Chuck Elkins, Executive Director [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]; Bob Wayland [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Vizian, Donna [Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Following Up on Donna's Note and Our Conversation

Terrific! Talk to you all then. And thanks! The conference line is embedded in the invitation. I'll add Chuck and Bob.

Jeff

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**From:** Phyllis Flaherty [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 3, 2019 4:59 PM  
**To:** Wells, Jeffrey <Wells.jeffrey@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>; Chuck Elkins, Executive Director [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]; Bob Wayland [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
**Subject:** Re: Following Up on Donna's Note and Our Conversation

Thanks, Jeff. Chuck Elkins, our Executive Director, and Bob Wayland will go be joining the call.

Phyllis

On Sep 3, 2019, at 8:27 AM, Wells, Jeffrey <Wells.jeffrey@epa.gov> wrote:

Just sent invitation Phyllis – look forward to talking to you then.

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**From:** Phyllis Flaherty [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 30, 2019 4:33 PM  
**To:** Wells, Jeffrey <Wells.jeffrey@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Following Up on Donna's Note and Our Conversation

Hi Jeff,

I was very happy to hear from EPA on this topic. I appreciate your sending the slide deck. Thursday afternoon works best - either 1 or 2 pm. Were you intending this to be a phone call or in person meeting? I can attend in person or by phone but Chuck will need to attend by phone. I look forward to our discussion. I will let you know if there will be additional attendees. Thanks.

Phyllis

Phyllis Flaherty  
President  
EPA Alumni Association

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On Aug 30, 2019, at 3:04 PM, Wells, Jeffrey <[Wells.jeffrey@epa.gov](mailto:Wells.jeffrey@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hy Phyllis,

Great to talk to you today – I'm so glad Donna asked me to get in touch. Maggie Sauerhage and I will wait to see if you and potentially others from the alumni network are available to meet here next week either Thursday at 1 or 2 PM or Friday at 10AM.

As we discussed, I've attached a DRAFT slide deck that provides an overview of how we're currently thinking about organizing ourselves internally along with some of the major projects and activities we're contemplating. Please keep it close hold to just the folks that will meet with us next week as it is still more conceptual than real at this point. I hope it gives you a sense of our thinking right now and may provide some ideas for how the Alumni Network might best partner with us.

Thanks again,

Jeff

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**From:** Skadowski, Suzanne [Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/6/2018 4:03:34 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; regionalpress [regionalpress@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Holsman, Marianne [Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov]; Allnutt, David [Allnutt.David@epa.gov]; Nogi, Jill [nogi.jill@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Region 10 MEDIA INQUIRY: Alaska mining projects, NEPA -- R10 draft response

**Region 10 MEDIA INQUIRY**

**Received:** 2/1/2018

**Press Officer:** Suzanne Skadowski, 206-553-2160

**Media Outlet/Reporter:** Alaska Business Monthly / Dimitra Lavrakas, **Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)**

**Topic:** Mining projects in Alaska, NEPA process

**Deadline:** 2/16/2018

Draft Response -- Info provided by R10 OERA mining and R10 NEPA teams:

*Note: all information provided is for background only, not for attribution to EPA or staff.*

**Q: In Alaska, what mining projects are currently in the EIS phase, have recently been approved to move forward, or are planning for an EIS this year?**

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Q: How can I find out who is planning to mine for what where and when at what cost?

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Q: What causes delays due to extended EIS application processes, for examples being asked for additional information, and if they are, what information is needed?

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Q: Why does the EIS process exist, who manages it, what happens if a mine is or is not approved?

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/7/2018 1:43:37 PM  
**To:** Gray, David [gray.david@epa.gov]; D'Andrea, Michael [DANDREA.MICHAEL@EPA.GOV]; schaffer, joan [schafer.joan@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: RFS waiver requests - EPA response?

Good morning R3 and R6,

For awareness.

Beset, R.

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 06, 2018 6:19 PM  
**To:** Jennifer A. Dlouhy <jdlouhy1@bloomberg.net>; Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: RFS waiver requests - EPA response?

Jen, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

**Statement**

Citing the economic impacts of the Renewable Fuels Standards (RFS) program upon refineries in their states, the governors of DE, NM, PA and TX have petitioned EPA to waive the standards. In response, the EPA administrator is asking New Mexico, Pennsylvania, and Texas to provide further data and information. EPA will then be able to fully and fairly evaluate the issue and determine if further relief is warranted.

We are also in the process of responding to Delaware's request.

**Background**

The Clean Air Act allows the Administrator of EPA, in consultation with the Secretaries of Agriculture and Energy, to waive the requirements of the RFS under certain criteria. For example, a waiver can be issued if the Administrator determines -- after a notice and comment period -- that implementation of the RFS requirements would severely harm the economy of a State, a region, or the United States.

Refineries play a key role in providing energy and employment to their communities, states, and regions. The EPA understands that the RFS program can have impacts on those refineries, and believes that the program should be implemented with the welfare of communities and regions in mind.

At the same time, EPA must implement the laws as Congress passed them. As the agency has previously indicated, we believe it is critical to have sufficient information and analysis to make informed decisions on such requests. We recognize that identifying severe economic harm caused by the implementation of RFS requirements is a complex issue and of intense interest to a number of stakeholders.

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**From:** Jennifer A. Dlouhy (BLOOMBERG/ NEWSROOM:) [<mailto:jdlouhy1@bloomberg.net>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 06, 2018 3:24 PM  
**To:** Press <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RFS waiver requests - EPA response?

Good afternoon!

The EPA has received at least four requests from the governors of Pennsylvania, Texas, New Mexico and Delaware to waive renewable volume obligations under the RFS.

The first of those, from Pennsylvania Gov. Wolf, came on Nov. 2, 96 days ago. As I read the statute, EPA has 90 days to respond to a waiver request (and/or possibly initiate a public comment period).

How is EPA responding to the waiver requests? What action are you taking?

Thanks,  
Jen.

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Jennifer A. Dlouhy

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**From:** Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/18/2018 4:21:00 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Brownfields  
**Attachments:** Regional Plans for Brownfields Announcement.docx

Here's what I have, missing Region 6.

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**From:** Kelley, Jeff [kelley.jeff@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/30/2018 4:07:13 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: 2018 ENERGY STAR POY materials for regional PADs

I'm trying to get caught up after being out the office this week – and I'm sure this has been discussed on PADS call – but what's the amplification expectation for this announcement?

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**Jeff Kelley**  
*Director, Office of External Communications*  
*U.S. EPA Region 5*  
*ph: 312-353-1159*

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 28, 2018 4:44 PM  
**To:** Regional Public Affairs Directors <Regional\_Public\_Affairs\_Directors@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Haman, Patricia <Haman.Patricia@epa.gov>; Thundiyil, Karen <Thundiyil.Karen@epa.gov>; Davis, Matthew <Davis.Matthew@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: 2018 ENERGY STAR POY materials for regional PADs

All – please see below and attached for the rollout on Monday, 4/2, of EnergyStar Partner of the Year.

Please let us know if you have questions.

Thanks ng

**Nancy Grantham**  
**Office of Public Affairs**  
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**From:** Sylvan, Stephan  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 28, 2018 5:27 PM  
**To:** DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; Clarke, Deirdre <clarke.deirdre@epa.gov>; Montoro, Marta <Montoro.Marta@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** 2018 ENERGY STAR POY materials for regional PADs

Hi Isabel,

As discussed, I am attaching four items to help regional PADs with ENERGY STAR POY (Partner of the Year) amplification, all with a 9:30 AM 4-2-18 embargo:

- EPA HQ approved press release
- EPA HQ approved social media

- ENERGY STAR POY winner profiles in leadership
- Spreadsheet listing the POY winners by state and region

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Stephan

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**From:** Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/18/2018 3:51:37 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Region 8 Brownfields Roll-Out Plan

Yes

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 18, 2018 11:47 AM  
**To:** Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Region 8 Brownfields Roll-Out Plan

So who are we still missing .. still 6 and 7? Thanks ng

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**From:** Sauerhage, Maggie  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 18, 2018 11:46 AM  
**To:** Mylott, Richard <Mylott.Richard@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>; Heffernan, Daniel <Heffernan.Daniel@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Region 8 Brownfields Roll-Out Plan

Thanks!

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**From:** Mylott, Richard  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 18, 2018 11:45 AM  
**To:** Sauerhage, Maggie <[Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov](mailto:Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>; Mutter, Andrew <[mutter.andrew@epa.gov](mailto:mutter.andrew@epa.gov)>; Heffernan, Daniel <[Heffernan.Daniel@epa.gov](mailto:Heffernan.Daniel@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Region 8 Brownfields Roll-Out Plan

Maggie—R8 Bfields plan below. Thanks!

Rich Mylott

303-312-6654

**Region 8 Brownfields Roll-Out Plan**

April 25, 2018

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April 26, 2018

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**From:** Hubbard, Carolyn [Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/23/2018 2:21:47 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: did you send me something on the honest act -- indicating close hold? now i can't find it -- what are you hearing in terms of timing thanks ng

I might have seen it in greenwire, too. I can ask if anyone knows about timing.

Carolyn Hubbard  
Communications Director  
EPA Office of Research and Development  
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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Monday, April 23, 2018 10:19 AM  
**To:** Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: did you send me something on the honest act -- indicating close hold? now i can't find it -- what are you hearing in terms of timing thanks ng

I think it was in greenwire I saw it .. will send .. also .. timing?

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**Sent:** Monday, April 23, 2018 9:51 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: did you send me something on the honest act -- indicating close hold? now i can't find it -- what are you hearing in terms of timing thanks ng

No I didn't send anything. I don't have a good sense for timing, but I did just learn that

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**To:** Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>  
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**From:** Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/19/2018 7:20:40 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Updated Brownfields document  
**Attachments:** Regional Plans for Brownfields Announcement.docx

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/8/2018 3:14:26 PM  
**To:** Moch, Jonathan; Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Follow up to phone call regarding EPA communications policies for class project

Jonathan, thanks for reaching out. For attribution to U.S. EPA, please:

EPA Communications Stylebook: Who's Who and Networking Through EPA Communications

All of the EPA Offices of Assistant Administrators and Regional Administrators, and most of the Offices of Associate Administrators have a staff in the immediate office that is responsible for communications policy and development. This staff should always be informed of public communications activities or public communications product development that is undertaken by any EPA staff member. They always should be consulted about undertaking such activities at the very earliest point at which such undertaking might be contemplated. In public communications, situations that present serious problems are, almost without exception, those which have been developed to some advanced stage without the involvement of the senior communications personnel. Those staffs comprise, at least, a Communications Director or Public Affairs Director, a News Media Director and a Product Review Officer, as well as additional staff.

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Some offices have communications staffs at the staff office or division level, as well as at the AA / RA level. Where there are such offices they should be informed of, and consulted about, any public communications undertaking.

Other EPA offices are involved with internal EPA communications and in providing communications services and support for public communication. They include Printing Management (OARM), Web Development (OEI) and Acquisition Management (OARM).

Any staff member who is, in any way, developing communications materials by working with those offices must ensure that the Offices of Public Affairs or Communications know that such work is being done. That includes implementing any contract or purchase for communications work or any task order within some more general contract.

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Coordination of Web, News and Other Media

The policies and style relating to development of communications other than Web and news are the substance of this Stylebook, but the principles that govern development of EPA communications in all media, including news and Web have more areas of overlap than divergence.

Throughout this Stylebook you have read references to, and information from, the EPA Communications Product Review process. In general this manual and that process are complementary. In most instances they are necessarily integrated and related. They comprise the policy and procedure for creating and producing communications materials in public media other than Web and news material. Review general procedures for development of Web and all other non-news public media.

Standardizing the procedures for development of information materials is a process which relates largely to communications management. Effective communications in large organizations basically requires that such procedures are established. All those who regularly develop communications materials for the Agency should know those procedures well. It is helpful for all those who do such work even occasionally.

At the core of that process to help all EPA staff communicate better are the Program and Regional Product Review Officers. When in doubt contact these officers as listed in the URL-address above. In many cases the Product Review Officer and Web Content Manager is the same person. In all cases, they coordinate and communicate regularly with each other and with their related news media staffs.

**From:** Moch, Jonathan [mailto:Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 07, 2018 3:39 PM

**To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>

**Subject:** Follow up to phone call regarding EPA communications policies for class project

Dear Robert,

Thank you so much for talking on the phone with me earlier. As I mentioned, I am a PhD student at Harvard working on a class project on science and science-policy issues, and am currently focusing on public communications at science relevant government agencies.

For the project I am trying to get a hold of whatever is written down as the EPA's public communications policy. For example, the Department of Commerce has a public communications policy which you can find here: [http://www.osc.doc.gov/opog/dmp/daos/dao219\\_1.html](http://www.osc.doc.gov/opog/dmp/daos/dao219_1.html). (Another example is the Department of the Interior's policy here: <https://elips.doi.gov/elips/0/doc/3037/Page1.aspx>).

Does the EPA have a similar policy governing public communications (e.g. publications, speeches, media coverage, etc.)?

I've so far been able to find the EPA Style book and the social media policy, but nothing along the lines of a general policy like at other agencies. I would greatly appreciate your help referring me to the appropriate person who can help me track down whatever policies the EPA has on these issues.

Thank you in advance.

With best regards,

Jonathan

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/3/2018 6:23:31 PM  
**To:** Zito, Kelly [ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV]; Glenn, William [Glenn.William@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Mogharabi, Nahal [MOGHARABI.NAHAL@EPA.GOV]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: Questions from The Desert Sun regarding maquiladoras in Mexico and the EPA's past use of subpoenas

Kelly, Bill and Nahal, our responses to the reporter in the subpoenas inquiry.

Cheers, R.

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 2:18 PM  
**To:** 'James, Ian' <Ian.James@desertsun.com>  
**Subject:** RE: Questions from The Desert Sun regarding maquiladoras in Mexico and the EPA's past use of subpoenas

Ian, you are correct on both counts.

Cheers, R.

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**From:** James, Ian [mailto:Ian.James@desertsun.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 1:28 PM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Questions from The Desert Sun regarding maquiladoras in Mexico and the EPA's past use of subpoenas

Hello, Robert:

I would like to confirm something about this comment. I think you mean that the EPA has not issued subpoenas for this purpose since the agency issued subpoenas in 1994 as described in the 1995 document. Is that correct?

Also, are you saying that you are asking not to be quoted by name on this comment?

Thank you,  
Ian James

Ian James  
Reporter, Water and Environment



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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [<mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 29, 2018 8:15 AM  
**To:** James, Ian <[ian.James@desertsun.com](mailto:ian.James@desertsun.com)>; Press <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Questions from The Desert Sun regarding maquiladoras in Mexico and the EPA's past use of subpoenas

Ian, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

EPA has not issued subpoenas to collect information from U.S.-based parent companies of maquiladoras in Mexico regarding chemical releases contributing to the pollution of the New River, which flows into the U.S. or for any comparable activity.

Cheers, R.

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**From:** James, Ian [<mailto:ian.James@desertsun.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 20, 2018 10:52 AM  
**To:** Press <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Mogharabi, Nahal <[MOGHARABI.NAHAL@EPA.GOV](mailto:MOGHARABI.NAHAL@EPA.GOV)>  
**Subject:** Questions from The Desert Sun regarding maquiladoras in Mexico and the EPA's past use of subpoenas

Hello,

I'm a reporter with The Desert Sun in Palm Springs, and I have some questions relating to maquiladora factories in Mexico. My questions relate to the attached 1995 document and any similar EPA activities since. The document explains that in 1994, the EPA used letters and subpoenas to collect information from U.S.-based parent companies of maquiladoras in Mexico regarding chemical releases contributing to the pollution of the New River, which flows into the U.S.

I'm wondering if the EPA has ever used its subpoena authority anytime since then to collect information from the U.S.-based parent companies of maquiladoras in Mexico.

I'd also like to ask, if the EPA hasn't used subpoenas for this purpose anytime since then, why not?

I first checked with EPA Region 9 about this, and I was told that EPA Region 9 is not aware of any requests of this type since 1995. I would like to request information on this topic for the entire agency to confirm whether or not this approach has been used by the EPA since that time.

In addition to a written response to these questions, I would appreciate an opportunity to speak with an EPA representative about this topic. Thank you.

Best regards,  
Ian James

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Reporter, Water and Environment

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**From:** Mutter, Andrew [mutter.andrew@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/18/2018 1:34:56 PM  
**To:** Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: R8 Brownfields roll out plan

FYI

Best regards,

Andrew

***Andrew Mutter***

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**From:** Mylott, Richard  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 17, 2018 4:40 PM  
**To:** Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Heffernan, Daniel <Heffernan.Daniel@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** R8 Brownfields roll out plan

**Region 8 Brownfields Roll-Out Plan**

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**May-June 2018**

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**From:** Wells, Jeffrey [Wells.jeffrey@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 8/30/2019 7:04:58 PM  
**To:** Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)  
**CC:** Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]; Vizian, Donna [Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Following Up on Donna's Note and Our Conversation  
**Attachments:** DRAFT EPA 50th Ideas and Org Structure.pptx

Hy Phyllis,

Great to talk to you today – I'm so glad Donna asked me to get in touch. Maggie Sauerhage and I will wait to see if you and potentially others from the alumni network are available to meet here next week either Thursday at 1 or 2 PM or Friday at 10AM.

As we discussed, I've attached a DRAFT slide deck that provides an overview of how we're currently thinking about organizing ourselves internally along with some of the major projects and activities we're contemplating. Please keep it close hold to just the folks that will meet with us next week as it is still more conceptual than real at this point. I hope it gives you a sense of our thinking right now and may provide some ideas for how the Alumni Network might best partner with us.

Thanks again,

Jeff

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**From:** Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 1/31/2018 3:45:16 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: MEDIA INQUIRY - Ensia. Superfund Remediation and Reuse. DDL: 1/25/18

Nancy—

Checking on what you think about this as well...

Thanks,

Tricia

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**From:** Colip, Matthew  
**Sent:** Monday, January 29, 2018 1:47 PM  
**To:** Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: MEDIA INQUIRY - Ensia. Superfund Remediation and Reuse. DDL: 1/25/18

Hi Tricia,

Could we attribute to a press officer? Or, are you looking specifically for a program contact.

Copying Nancy C per your away message.

Thanks,  
Matt

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**From:** Lynn, Tricia  
**Sent:** Friday, January 26, 2018 9:26 AM  
**To:** Colip, Matthew <colip.matthew@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: MEDIA INQUIRY - Ensia. Superfund Remediation and Reuse. DDL: 1/25/18

Hi Matt—

The reporter is requesting a name for attribution. Do you have anyone you can suggest? (If so, can you provide name and title?)

Thanks!

--Tricia

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**From:** Colip, Matthew  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 25, 2018 1:00 PM  
**To:** Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: MEDIA INQUIRY - Ensia. Superfund Remediation and Reuse. DDL: 1/25/18

Hi Tricia,

OLEM's response below:

1. I understand that, to date (12/21/17), 395 sites have now been remediated and removed from the Superfund list. Is this correct? Any ballpark for how many more sites might be remediated and removed from the list going forward -- in say, one year or 10 years?

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2. Why is reuse of the sites important? What kind of follow-up, if any, does the EPA do after a site is removed from the Superfund list? Does the agency -- or others -- monitor the reuse?

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3. Of the repurposing uses so far, could you share examples of what has worked the best? Any particularly innovative approaches that future projects could consider?

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4. What uses so far have proved problematic? Any lessons we can take away to inform future repurposing projects?

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**From:** Lynn, Tricia

**Sent:** Thursday, January 18, 2018 2:35 PM

**To:** Cohen, Nancy <[Cohen.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Cohen.Nancy@epa.gov)>; Colip, Matthew <[colip.matthew@epa.gov](mailto:colip.matthew@epa.gov)>; Taylor, Trish <[Taylor.Trish@epa.gov](mailto:Taylor.Trish@epa.gov)>; OLEM OSRTI Press <[OLEM-OSRTI-Press@epa.gov](mailto:OLEM-OSRTI-Press@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** MEDIA INQUIRY - Ensia. Superfund Remediation and Reuse. DDL: 1/25/18

Deadline: 1/25

Outlet: Ensia

Reporter: Lynne Peeples

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### Context:

Reporter is writing a story for Ensia on the repurposing of former Superfund sites -- examples of what lands are being used for now, lessons learned so far as to what works well and what doesn't, etc. She's requesting a call, but I think

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### Reporter's Questions:

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4. What uses so far have proved problematic? Any lessons we can take away to inform future repurposing projects?

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/16/2018 4:18:43 PM  
**To:** Rowan, Anne [rowan.anne@epa.gov]; Kelley, Jeff [kelley.jeff@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] RE: Press Inquiry about Fuel: ethanol, RFS, fuel efficiency

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Begin forwarded message:

**Resent-From:** <Press@epa.gov>  
**From:** "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Date:** April 16, 2018 at 11:14:57 AM EDT  
**To:** "Spencer, Jim" <Jim.Spencer@startribune.com>  
**Cc:** Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Press Inquiry about Fuel: ethanol, RFS, fuel efficiency

Hullo again Jim,

"The criteria used to grant waivers has not changed since previous administrations. EPA follows a long-standing, established process where the Agency uses a DOE analysis to inform decisions about refiner exemptions/waivers. These waivers are only considered for refineries that submit applications and that are below the blending threshold," **EPA spokesperson, Liz Bowman**

**On background** (not for attribution): DOE's analysis is developed based on information submitted to EPA, and DOE provides a recommendation with regard to the waiver. While the applications continue to come in, EPA has granted roughly 25 so far. We do not have specifics on overall refining capacity.

Cheers, R.

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**Sent:** Monday, April 16, 2018 11:00 AM

**To:** Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Press Inquiry about Fuel: ethanol, RFS, fuel efficiency

I appreciate it. Please let me know as soon as you can what you can provide.

I would like to add a question to my query. Why is the waiver process conducted privately and not publicly?

Thanks again for your attention to this request.

Thanks,

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [<mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>]

**Sent:** Monday, April 16, 2018 10:56 AM

**To:** Spencer, Jim <[Jim.Spencer@startribune.com](mailto:Jim.Spencer@startribune.com)>

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] RE: Press Inquiry about Fuel: ethanol, RFS, fuel efficiency

Good morning Jim and thanks for reaching out. Just acknowledging receipt.

Cheers, R.

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**From:** Spencer, Jim [<mailto:Jim.Spencer@startribune.com>]

**Sent:** Monday, April 16, 2018 10:22 AM

**To:** Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Press Inquiry about Fuel: ethanol, RFS, fuel efficiency

Robert,

I am writing a story about the impact of Scott Pruitt's issuance of ethanol waivers on Minnesota corn farmers and ethanol producers. I am told that Administrator Pruitt has issued waivers for 1.2 billion gallons of ethanol this year and need to confirm that number with the agency. I also need a statement from the EPA to respond to farmers and ethanol producers who contend that the EPA's ethanol waivers

are hurting a renewable fuel source that is better for the environment than regular gasoline. I need a response from the agency today if at all possible.

If you absolutely cannot get me anything today, my drop dead deadline is close of business Wednesday. I am off tomorrow dealing with a family health emergency. Please let me know as soon as possible what you will provide and when. I appreciate the effort.

Thanks,

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**From:** Larson, Darrin [Larson.Darrin@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 8/29/2019 9:56:47 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Taheri, Diane [Taheri.Diane@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: DRAFT WOTUS Comms Materials  
**Attachments:** WOTUS Step 1 Final Rule Comms Plan Region 6 8-29-19.docx

Hi Nancy,

Here's our comms plan. We're planning

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2019 10:58 AM  
**To:** Regional Public Affairs Directors <Regional\_Public\_Affairs\_Directors@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: DRAFT WOTUS Comms Materials

For our 12:30 p.m call today – please note these materials are close hold and draft thanks ng

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**From:** Risley, David <Risley.David@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2019 10:47 AM  
**To:** McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>; McDonough, Owen <mcdonough.owen@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** DRAFT WOTUS Comms Materials

All,  
Here are draft communications materials from OW for next week's WOTUS announcement. These have been reviewed by Owen but have not be reviewed by Dave or officially cleared from OW yet. We hope these will be helpful for communications/engagement planning purposes. To that end, they can be shared with the Regional PADs in advance of the 12:30 call. However, they should not be shared outside of EPA. To the extent that they are shared inside EPA, please be sure to note their draft/internal/deliberative nature.

Best,  
David

David Risley  
EPA Office of Water  
Acting Deputy Communications Director  
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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/3/2018 12:21:34 PM  
**To:** schaffer, joan [schaffer.joan@epa.gov]; White, Terri-A [White.Terri-A@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: Reaction to U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia ruling on Anacostia River trash tmdl

All, the inquiry, plus our response and the story as it ran last night on Bloomberg Environment's wire.

**By Amena H. Salvid**

Maryland and Washington, D.C., will need a new plan to prevent trash from entering the Anacostia River if they are to comply with the Clean Water Act.

A federal court held March 30 that the existing trash removal plan for the garbage-laden Anacostia ran "afoul" of the Clean Water Act and the EPA's own regulations on establishing a "total maximum daily load" for the river. The EPA defines that load in terms of the "greatest amount of [a pollutant] that a water can receive without violating water quality standards."

The Environmental Protection Agency in 2010 approved a cleanup plan that Maryland and Washington jointly devised to limit the amount of trash in the river.

The U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia agreed with the Natural Resources Defense Council, which in 2016 challenged the EPA's approval.

The NRDC said the plan needed to calculate the maximum daily loads of trash that could enter the river, rather than the amount Washington and Prince George's and Montgomery counties in Maryland said they would remove each year.

"Instead of setting a maximum amount of trash that could enter the river before it failed to meet its water quality standards, the two jurisdictions set a minimum amount of trash that would have to be removed from the river (or prevented from entering it) for those standards to be satisfied," Judge John Bates wrote.

Spanning more than 170 square miles, the Anacostia River watershed is among the few waterways in the country that is legally designated as being choked by plastic bags, food wrappers, plastic bottles, styrofoam packaging, and other garbage.

### Trash Traps Not Enough

It's not enough for the city to just install trash traps with netting at 10 of its stormwater outfalls, Aaron Colangelo, the NRDC's litigation director, told Bloomberg Environment.

The group's lawsuit alleged the EPA approved a plan that would remove 1.2 million pounds of garbage each year irrespective of whether the amounts entering the river exceeded that limit.

The jurisdictions need to install trash booms, beef up recycling programs, install more green infrastructure to capture stormwater, and ban the use of styrofoam packaging, bits of which can be found stuck between the cattails of Anacostia River Park, Colangelo said.

Bates said the current plan could stay in place until a new plan is written and approved by the EPA but stopped short of dictating a timeline.

The D.C. Department of Energy and Environment, which co-wrote the plan with the Maryland Department of the Environment, said it would let the EPA decide whether to appeal the decision.

DC Water, which intervened on behalf of the EPA, didn't immediately respond to Bloomberg Environment's request for comment.

"We are still reviewing the decision," MDE spokesman Jay Apperson told Bloomberg Environment in an April 2 email.

The Maryland agency said it is committed to reducing trash pollution in the Anacostia River.

The case is Nat. Res. Def. Council, Inc. v. EPA, 2018 BL 112794, D.D.C., No. 16-1861 (JDB), 3/30/18.

Cheers, R.

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**Sent:** Monday, April 02, 2018 5:47 PM  
**To:** Saiyid, Amena <asaiyid@bloombergenvironment.com>  
**Cc:** Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Reaction to U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia ruling on Anacostia River trash tmdl

Amena, for attribution to an EPA spokesperson, please:

"We are reviewing the decision."

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On Apr 2, 2018, at 5:36 PM, Saiyid, Amena <asaiyid@bloombergenvironment.com> wrote:

Not in my hands Robert.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 2, 2018, at 5:30 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks, Amena. It'll likely require a little bit more time if you can hang on just a little while longer.

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On Apr 2, 2018, at 4:54 PM, Saiyid, Amena <[asaiyid@bloombergenvironment.com](mailto:asaiyid@bloombergenvironment.com)> wrote:

Need to file now but can wait until 5:45 pm.

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Message

**From:** Deegan, Dave [Deegan.Dave@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 1/3/2018 11:21:03 PM  
**To:** regionalpress [regionalpress@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Region 1 - DEADLINE request for statement

Good to go? I'd actually shorten it slightly, but still the same.

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From: regionalpress
Sent: Wednesday, January 03, 2018 6:07 PM
To: Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>; regionalpress <regionalpress@epa.gov>
Cc: Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>; Moraff, Kenneth <Moraff.Ken@epa.gov>; McGuire, Karen <McGuire.Karen@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Region 1 - DEADLINE request for statement

Thanks ng

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From: Deegan, Dave
Sent: Wednesday, January 03, 2018 4:53 PM
To: regionalpress <regionalpress@epa.gov>
Cc: Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>; Moraff, Kenneth <Moraff.Ken@epa.gov>; McGuire, Karen <McGuire.Karen@epa.gov>; Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>
Subject: Region 1 - DEADLINE request for statement

We have a reporter on deadline seeking info on water discharge in Agawam MA from testing of a new pipeline. This is also Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Suggested response is Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

BACKGROUND

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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**From:** Handler, Neil

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 03, 2018 1:04 PM

**To:** Deegan, Dave <[Deegan.Dave@epa.gov](mailto:Deegan.Dave@epa.gov)>

**Cc:** Bandrowicz, Toni <[bandrowicz.toni@epa.gov](mailto:bandrowicz.toni@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** FW: Question about this letter re Tennessee Gas CT Expansion Pipeline Project water release Agawam

**From:** Heather Bellow [<mailto:hbellow@berkshireeagle.com>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 03, 2018 12:38 PM

**To:** Handler, Neil <[Handler.Neil@epa.gov](mailto:Handler.Neil@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Question about this letter re Tennessee Gas CT Expansion Pipeline Project water release Agawam

Hi Neil,

I've written a story about this and was forwarded this letter, which states that the wastewater did go into a tributary.

"However, miscommunication between the operator and their onsite contractor resulted in the discharge of this effluent to an unnamed tributary to Worthington Brook, which ultimately flows into the Connecticut River (MA34-05), with no additional treatment."

I want to confirm this with you, since Tenn. Gas said it did not reach the tributary.

Can you confirm that this email from Shauna Little is correct?

All best.  
Heather

Paula,

Thank you for your message. I received verbal notification for RGP #MAG910717, the Connecticut Expansion Project in Agawam, MA, on November 28, 2017. Verbal notification was received from Brian Benito, the named contact for the authorized operator, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, LLC. The initial notification was received November 28, 2017 in a voicemail prior to my arrival at the office. I spoke directly to Mr. Benito when I returned the call. The information Mr. Benito provided is summarized as follows:

- This site generated approximately 15,000 gallons of hydrostatic test water.
- Based on the in-process sample required under the RGP (i.e., prior to discharge), the operator determined that effluent limitations would be exceeded for several metals and one or more volatile organic compounds.
- As a result, the operator had previously indicated to EPA that the effluent would be removed offsite rather than discharged.
- However, miscommunication between the operator and their onsite contractor resulted in the discharge of this effluent to an unnamed tributary to Worthington Brook, which ultimately flows into the Connecticut River (MA34-05), with no additional treatment.
- The effluent samples required under the RGP were not collected.
- No effluent remains to be discharged.

I requested that the operator provide a list of the specific parameters identified in exceedance of RGP limitations in the in-process sample. The operator provided information on November 29, 2017 as follows:

- Copper- 1.9 ug/L
- Lead- 0.365 ug/L
- Iron- 3.9 mg/L
- Diethylhexyl Phthalate- 6.9 ug/L
- Tetrachloroethylene- 6.9 ug/L

On November 29, 2017, I provided information regarding this matter to EPA Region 1's Office of Environmental Stewardship (OES). Any additional questions concerning this matter should be directed to Neil Handler. I have copied him on this response

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Regards,

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Message

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 12/28/2017 5:33:12 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** NANCY G.: seeking comment for story today (Thu 12/28)

Passing along. Uncommented and unedited.

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**From:** Wood, Pamela [mailto:pwood@baltsun.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 28, 2017 12:12 PM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: seeking comment for story today (Thu 12/28)

Thank you for getting back to me so quickly, Robert. I appreciate the prompt reply.

I just wanted to say, for the record, that it's continually frustrating that for benign and routine statements like this one, federal agencies including the EPA will not attach an actual spokesperson's name to the comment. It makes no sense at all why these type of comments must be made only by "a spokesperson." Not commenting on a lawsuit – which, of course, is standard practice for any government agency – is neither controversial nor sensitive information.

I'm sure these types of decisions are made up the food chain from you, and I apologize for venting to you, but if you could pass along this complaint, I'd appreciate it.

Thanks,  
Pamela

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 28, 2017 11:59 AM  
**To:** Wood, Pamela; Press  
**Subject:** RE: seeking comment for story today (Thu 12/28)

Good morning (still, and barely), Pamela,

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

The agency doesn't comment on pending litigation,

Regards, R.

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**From:** Wood, Pamela [<mailto:pwood@baltsun.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 28, 2017 11:54 AM  
**To:** Press <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** seeking comment for story today (Thu 12/28)

Good morning, EPA:

I'm writing a story today about a lawsuit filed by several northeastern states in an ongoing issue over their request to add more states to the Ozone Transport Region.

I've attached a copy of the lawsuit.

I wanted to see if the EPA will comment on the merits of the lawsuit or the agency's decision not to expand the Ozone Transport Region.

Thank you,  
Pamela

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**From:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 11/6/2017 2:17:26 PM  
**To:** Mears, Mary [Mears.Mary@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Kluesner, Dave [kluesner.dave@epa.gov]; McGowan, Michael [McGowan.Michael@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Pete participating in several speaking events

Thank you Mary!

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**From:** Mears, Mary  
**Sent:** Monday, November 06, 2017 8:58 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>; McGowan, Michael <McGowan.Michael@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Pete participating in several speaking events

Hi Nancy and Robin,  
Just a heads up on a few upcoming speaking engagements for Pete and one event coming up on the LIS Futures Fund.

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**From:** Rowan, Anne [rowan.anne@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 12/15/2017 8:23:49 PM  
**To:** Kaplan, Robert [kaplan.robert@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Kelley, Jeff [kelley.jeff@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: Bloomberg re R5 RA announcement

Bob, Nancy —since I know the announcement slated for Monday is ‘very close hold,’ I wanted you both to be aware of today’s press inquiry. (Also, Allison is NOT aware of the upcoming announcement.) This reporter also left voicemail messages for GLNPO Director Tinka Hyde and me. I’ll let you both know if we get any more calls from reporters (or others) on this subject.

**From:** "Lippert, Allison" <lippert.allison@epa.gov>  
**Date:** December 15, 2017 at 12:41:36 PM CST  
**To:** regionalpress <regionalpress@epa.gov>, Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** "Kelley, Jeff" <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>, "Rowan, Anne" <rowan.anne@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Bloomberg re R5 RA announcement

Stephen Joyce ([sjoyce@bloomberglaw.com](mailto:sjoyce@bloomberglaw.com)) from Bloomberg Law is seeking confirmation that EPA will announce a Regional Administrator for Region 5 this afternoon. Reporter says he was informed by folks in the region and DC.

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**From:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 12/13/2017 5:02:40 PM  
**To:** Ringel, Aaron [ringel.aaron@epa.gov]; Palich, Christian [palich.christian@epa.gov]; Cory, Preston (Katherine) [Cory.Preston@epa.gov]; Shimmin, Kaitlyn [shimmin.kaitlyn@epa.gov]; Rodrick, Christian [rodrick.christian@epa.gov]; Frye, Tony (Robert) [frye.robert@epa.gov]; Levine, Carolyn [Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov]; Kaiser, Sven-Erik [Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov]; Haman, Patricia [Haman.Patricia@epa.gov]; Moody, Christina [Moody.Christina@epa.gov]; Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]; Nitsch, Chad [Nitsch.Chad@epa.gov]  
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**Subject:** Releases Dec 2017 - Jan 2018.xlsx  
**Attachments:** Releases Dec 2017 - Jan 2018.xlsx

Hi everyone – Thank you for good discussion on the spreadsheet this morning! Attached is an updated chart for your review. Please be mindful that some of these announcements are close hold and shouldn't be widely distributed.

The plan is to place the spreadsheet on our SharePoint site and define a group (us) who will have access and can update it. We'll use this during our Monday/Wednesday 10:15am check ins and as needed. If you need help creating a bookmark for SharePoint access, please let Melissa know.

As always, suggestions for improvements are definitely welcome. This tool is for us.

Thank you again! Robin

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**Sent:** 10/24/2017 7:14:31 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: NY Times in Pesticides Industry and Regulation

Don't think this was for same article.

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**From:** Strauss, Linda  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 18, 2017 10:28 AM  
**To:** Daguiard, Robert <Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Sisco, Debby <Sisco.Debby@epa.gov>; Dinkins, Darlene <Dinkins.Darlene@epa.gov>; Overstreet, Anne <overstreet.anne@epa.gov>; Lantz, Tracy <Lantz.Tracy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: NY Times in Pesticides Industry and Regulation

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**From:** Daguiard, Robert  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 18, 2017 10:16 AM  
**To:** Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Sisco, Debby <Sisco.Debby@epa.gov>; Dinkins, Darlene <Dinkins.Darlene@epa.gov>; Overstreet, Anne <overstreet.anne@epa.gov>; Lantz, Tracy <Lantz.Tracy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: NY Times in Pesticides Industry and Regulation

Thanks, Linda. **\*Not\*** for attribution to Rick, correct?

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**From:** Strauss, Linda  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 18, 2017 9:49 AM  
**To:** Daguiard, Robert <Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Sisco, Debby <Sisco.Debby@epa.gov>; Dinkins, Darlene <Dinkins.Darlene@epa.gov>; Overstreet, Anne <overstreet.anne@epa.gov>; Lantz, Tracy <Lantz.Tracy@epa.gov>  
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Robert, here you go. Nancy Beck approved.

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OUTLET: NY TIMES  
REPORTER: RONI RABIN  
DDL: THURSDAY 10/19

"I'm writing an article about a series of meetings that have taken place in recent months between growers and pesticide makers, on the one hand, and EPA officials including Rick Keigwin and others. During these meetings, the growers and pesticide makers have promoted a detailed agenda for loosening regulations on pesticides, including regulations on residues in drinking water and regulations to protect commercial honeybees. I wanted to get a response from the EPA about how much influence the industry groups have over policy under the current administration; and whether similar meetings are also held with environmentalist advocacy organizations.

I also wanted to know whether the EPA plans to suspend use of human epidemiological data to set safety levels for pesticides, and get a sense where the risk reassessment for pyrethroids stands.

My deadline is Thursday.

Thank you.

Roni Caryn Rabin"

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**Sent:** 10/24/2017 4:25:59 PM  
**To:** regionalpress [regionalpress@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Kluesner, Dave [kluesner.dave@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: FOR APPROVAL: Solar Event News Release  
**Attachments:** Edison Solar News Release PETE APPROVED.docx; Advisory - EPA Edison Solar Event 10-25-17.docx

Just checking on this, as the News Advisory portion would need to be used today to invite reporters to the event.

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**From:** Kluesner, Dave  
**Sent:** Monday, October 23, 2017 6:00 PM  
**To:** regionalpress <regionalpress@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; May, Jennifer <May.Jennifer@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FOR APPROVAL: Solar Event News Release

Requesting approval to issue the attached news release this Wednesday, October 25, following the media event at 11 AM in Edison, NJ. Also attached is the News Advisory that we are requesting approval to issue Tuesday, October 24 in the PM.

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**From:** Gray, David [gray.david@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 12/14/2017 12:36:58 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: WPS/CandT -- likely going today -- close hold please

Yes, weird. I loaded an update on my iPhone and now it is acting all crazy. Oh well. Great – glad they are useful. We will have the first list with desk statements done today.

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 14, 2017 6:33 AM  
**To:** Gray, David <gray.david@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: WPS/CandT -- likely going today -- close hold please

They have not come in yet – curious ..

Also, the write-ups for the key issues look great –

Will send around to comms folks to make sure we have everything ..

Thanks a million for doing this

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**From:** Gray, David  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 14, 2017 7:30 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: WPS/CandT -- likely going today -- close hold please

Thanks – did you send me newslinks this morning? I am have some trouble with my email. I thought I saw them and then they disappeared.

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 14, 2017 6:29 AM  
**To:** Regional Public Affairs Directors <Regional\_Public\_Affairs\_Directors@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** WPS/CandT -- likely going today -- close hold please

Also, FYI -- Senator Udall has an interest here – holding pesticide fee (PRIA) legislation --

Thanks ng

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**EPA Initiates Rulemaking to Revise Certain Aspects of the Agricultural Worker Protection Standard (WPS) and the Certification and Training (C&T) Rule; Implementation Dates for Existing WPS and C&T Remain In Effect**

**Agricultural Worker Protection Standard (WPS)**

EPA has initiated a process to revise certain requirements in the WPS. By the end of FY2018, EPA expects to publish a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to solicit public input on proposed revisions to the WPS requirements for minimum ages, designated representatives, and application exclusion zones. The compliance dates in the revised WPS published on November 2, 2015, *remain in effect*; the Agency does not intend to extend them.

**Certification and Training (C&T, or Certification of Pesticide Applicators) Rule**

EPA has initiated a process to revise the minimum age requirements in the C&T rule. EPA expects to publish a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to solicit public input on proposed revisions to the rule by the end of FY2018. The implementation dates in the January 4, 2017, final rule, (1) for certifying authorities to submit revised certification plans and (2) for EPA to act on those plans *remain in effect*; EPA has no plans to change those implementation dates

1. Why is EPA not changing the compliance dates?

A: In May 2017, EPA announced its intention to extend the compliance dates for implementation of the new rule in response to a petition from the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA). Upon further reconsideration and after continuing to develop additional materials to support implementation of the rule, the agency has determined that it is not necessary to extend the compliance dates for the Worker Protection Standard (WPS). At the Pesticide Policy Dialogue Committee (PPDC) meeting on November 2, 2017, state representatives indicated they have enough information to move ahead. Key outreach and educational materials have been available for over a year.

2. Is EPA planning to roll back the age requirements?

A: EPA intends to issue a proposed rule for public comment that would reconsider the WPS minimum age requirements to address stakeholder concerns. The PPDC stakeholders advised the agency that, for the most part, they are able to implement this provision as promulgated in the regulations, although there was agreement that the "family exemption" provision was not flexible enough to accommodate family-owned and operated businesses of commercial applicators. Furthermore, EPA has heard from other stakeholders that the "family exemption" is more restrictive than USDA's definition of "family".

3. Will EPA remove the AEZ?

A: EPA does not plan to propose deleting the AEZ from the WPS. The PPDC commended the agency for the additional guidance that has been issued since the promulgation of the revised rule. PPDC members did, however, identify some additional scenarios often encountered during pesticide applications where there is a need for additional guidance. The Office of Pesticide Programs is currently working on revised guidance that addresses these scenarios and hopes to issue the updated guidance by January 2, 2018. The agency intends to propose technical clarifications and to codify the revised guidance related to the AEZ through the rulemaking process. The changes are intended to provide agricultural employers

and handlers certainty in practices related to applications, particularly for applications near roads and houses at the edge of a field.

4. Does EPA believe a designated representative is a bad thing? Has EPA seen problems with this provision?

A: The members of the PPDC noted that some states with high agricultural production have already adopted state designated representative provisions. EPA has not identified any problems with the state designated representative provisions. At the PPDC meeting, there was not agreement on a practical way to alleviate stakeholder concerns regarding who could qualify to be a designated representative and how the information could be used, a concern also voiced by commenters on the Regulatory Reform efforts. The agency is concerned that the designated representative provision has the potential to inadvertently harm agricultural producers and not assist the farm worker community meaningfully. Therefore, the agency intends to include in the proposed rule for public comment discussion to reconsider the designated representative provision.

5:What is this – what does this mean? Is this a proposal?

A: The notices are not proposals; they simply announce that EPA is initiating the development of the proposed rules (and that we're not altering compliance and implementation dates in the existing rules).

6. Why is EPA taking this action at this time?

A: In the spring of 2017, EPA solicited comments on regulations that may be appropriate for repeal, replacement or modification in keeping with Executive Order 13777, entitled "Enforcing the Regulatory Reform Agenda." EPA also held a public meeting of the Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee in May 2017 that included sessions specifically devoted to receiving public feedback on potential pesticide regulatory reform opportunities for EPA's Regulatory Reform Task Force to consider. Although, many commenters expressed support for EPA's pesticide safety regulations, EPA also received comments that suggested specific changes to the January 4, 2017, Certification of Pesticide Applicators final rule (amending the requirements at 40 CFR 171) and to the November 2, 2015, Worker Protection Standard final rule (which amended the regulations at 40 CFR 170). EPA will publish separate Notices of Proposed Rulemaking in FY 2018 to solicit public input on revisions to these rules.



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**From:** Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 10/13/2017 9:04:48 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: FOR APPROVAL - INTERVIEW REQUEST: Red River Farm Network - Dicamba - Monday AM

Probably. I sent a note to both of them.

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Friday, October 13, 2017 5:04 PM  
**To:** Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: FOR APPROVAL - INTERVIEW REQUEST: Red River Farm Network - Dicamba - Monday AM

Does nancy beck want Rick to do this interview? Thanks ng

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert  
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**To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FOR APPROVAL - INTERVIEW REQUEST: Red River Farm Network - Dicamba - Monday AM

Carah Hart, a reporter for the Red River Farm Network, wants to do a quick interview about today's dicamba announcement. OCSPP says Rick Keigwin, the head of the pesticides program, could do a quick phone conversation early Monday morning.

Questions follow:

- How did the EPA arrive at these changes?
- What does this mean for state registration?
- Who is now liable if we continue to experience drift, even at the new restrictions?

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**From:** Carah [mailto:carah@rrfn.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 13, 2017 3:13 PM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: EPA and States' Collective Efforts Lead to Regulatory Action on Dicamba

If you can answer or maybe forward to someone who can:

- How did the EPA arrive at these changes?
- What does this mean for state registration?
- Who is now liable if we continue to experience drift, even at the new restrictions?

Thank you-  
Carah

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 13, 2017, at 12:55 PM, Daguiard, Robert <[Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov)> wrote:

Carah, here's what we sent earlier today. Also, were you suggesting an on-camera interview? Because I'm not the person to give you comments for attribution. Can you use this – and send me some specific questions for our pesticides program?

Thanks, R.



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## **EPA and States' Collective Efforts Lead to Regulatory Action on Dicamba**

WASHINGTON (OCTOBER 13, 2017) – EPA has reached an agreement with Monsanto, BASF and DuPont on measures to further minimize the potential for drift to damage neighboring crops from the use of dicamba formulations used to control weeds in genetically modified cotton and soybeans. New requirements for the use of dicamba "over the top" (application to growing plants) will allow farmers to make informed choices for seed purchases for the 2018 growing season.

"Today's actions are the result of intensive, collaborative efforts, working side by side with the states and university scientists from across the nation who have first-hand knowledge of the problem and workable solutions," said **EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt**. "Our collective efforts with our state partners ensure we are relying on the best, on-the-ground, information."

In a series of discussions, EPA worked cooperatively with states, land-grant universities, and the pesticide manufacturers to examine the underlying causes of recent crop damage in the farm belt and southeast. EPA carefully reviewed the available information and developed tangible changes to be implemented during the 2018 growing season. This is an example of cooperative federalism that leads to workable national-level solutions.

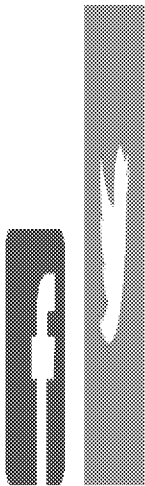
Manufacturers have voluntarily agreed to label changes that impose additional requirements for "over the top" use of these products next year including:

- Classifying products as "restricted use," permitting only certified applicators with special training, and those under their supervision, to apply them; dicamba-specific training for all certified applicators to reinforce proper use;

- Requiring farmers to maintain specific records regarding the use of these products to improve compliance with label restrictions;
- Limiting applications to when maximum wind speeds are below 10 mph (from 15 mph) to reduce potential spray drift;
- Reducing the times during the day when applications can occur;
- Including tank clean-out language to prevent cross contamination; and
- Enhancing susceptible crop language and record keeping with sensitive crop registries to increase awareness of risk to especially sensitive crops nearby.

Manufacturers have agreed to a process to get the revised labels into the hands of farmers in time for the 2018 use season. EPA will monitor the success of these changes to help inform our decision whether to allow the continued "over the top" use of dicamba beyond the 2018 growing season. When EPA registered these products, it set the registrations to expire in 2 years to allow EPA to change the registration, if necessary.

For more information: <https://www.epa.gov/ingredients-used-pesticide-products/registration-dicamba-use-genetically-engineered-crops>



If you would rather not receive future communications from Environmental Protection Agency, let us know by clicking [here](#).  
Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20460 United States

Message

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 10/2/2017 12:08:30 PM  
**To:** Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]; StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]; Dunton, Cheryl [Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** LINDA: MPR (DDL 10/6): Dicamba

Morning all and thanks to Christie for handling in the past week.

If the reporter pings, I'll just send him our statement. Perhaps the following link would help as well?

<https://www.epa.gov/ingredients-used-pesticide-products/registration-dicamba-use-genetically-engineered-crops#q1>

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**From:** Strauss, Linda  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 28, 2017 1:35 PM  
**To:** StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: MPR (DDL 10/6): Dicamba

Thanks, Christie.

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**Cc:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: MPR (DDL 10/6): Dicamba

Great, I have already told him I'd check with the program and get back to him. Given what you just told me, I think we can let this stand for now.

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**From:** Strauss, Linda  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 28, 2017 12:57 PM  
**To:** StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: MPR (DDL 10/6): Dicamba

Perhaps say that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Adding Nancy G. on this one. I will send to Nancy Beck and Rick Keigwin for awareness.

(Close hold – from Pruitt briefing yesterday it sounds we are likely Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)).

Linda Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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**Cc:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** MPR (DDL 10/6): Dicamba

Reporter is looking for an on-record, taped for radio, interview on dicamba.

Mark Steil  
Minnesota Public Radio News (MPR)  
Deadline: Friday, 10/6 if possible

**Request**

1. What is the agency's regulatory authority over dicamba?
2. What are the current EPA regulations concerning the herbicide?
3. What sort of process will the agency go through in the next few months as it reviews widespread farmer claims about dicamba drift damage?

**From:** Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/28/2017 7:24:49 PM  
**To:** StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Media Questions on Extreme Deadline

Liz's.

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 28, 2017, at 3:21 PM, StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov> wrote:

Michael, okay for him to use your name for attribution? He replied with this:

I must identify people who respond to questions for an agency. I will use your name. This is all on-the-record official agency response.

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**From:** Abboud, Michael  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 28, 2017 11:44 AM  
**To:** StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Media Questions on Extreme Deadline

Can you provide him this Christie. Attribute to an EPA spokesman.

1) What have EPA studies shown about the effects of chlorpyrifos?

**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

2) Why hasn't the EPA heeded the American Academy of Pediatrics and others and taken chlorpyrifos off the market?

**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

3) What did Administrator Pruitt discuss with the chief executive of Dow Chemical on March 9 in a Houston hotel before reversing the EPA's push to ban chlorpyrifos?

**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

4) Was EPA spokesman J.P. Freire accurate when he told the AP in April that Administrator Pruitt had had no meetings with Dow on this topic?

**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

5) What advice can the EPA give consumers and farmers who use products with chlorpyrifos?

**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Please add any other related comments/insights.

## Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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**From:** StClair, Christie  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 28, 2017 11:23 AM  
**To:** Abboud, Michael <[abboud.michael@epa.gov](mailto:abboud.michael@epa.gov)>; Press <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Media Questions on Extreme Deadline

Michael, the reporter responded with this:

What you sent did NOT answer my questions, particulrry questions 1-2 and 5 which had nothing to do with an AP correction. I will have to say the EPA refused repeated requests for responses, but I would rather not say that. I would appreciate the agency's views.

As for questions 3 and 4, I prefer the EPA answering this instead of AP. What was discussed and did EPA have NO meetings with Dow on this topic?

How would you like me to handle?

Christie

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**From:** Abboud, Michael  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 27, 2017 5:16 PM  
**To:** StClair, Christie <[StClair.Christie@epa.gov](mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov)>; Press <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Media Questions on Extreme Deadline

Can you just send him the AP correction, that should answer his questions. Thanks Christie.

<https://apnews.com/2350d7be5e24469ab445089bf663cdcb>

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**From:** StClair, Christie  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 27, 2017 5:08 PM  
**To:** Press <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: Media Questions on Extreme Deadline

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**From:** Gary Stoller [<mailto:> **Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)**]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 27, 2017 5:06 PM  
**To:** StClair, Christie <[StClair.Christie@epa.gov](mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Media Questions on Extreme Deadline

Christie; This is the 3rd time I have sent this. I will have to go with "Despite repeated requests, the EPA would not answer any questions about this matter."

Gary Stoller

On Fri, Sep 8, 2017 at 4:14 PM, Gary Stoller <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

Hello Christie: I have not received confirmation that you received this email.

Gary Stoller

On Wed, Sep 6, 2017 at 5:05 PM, Gary Stoller <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

Hello Christie: Please respond with answers to the following questions by Friday.

Thank you.

Gary Stoller  
Journalist  
Connecticut Health Investigative Team  
Newtown, CT 06470

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- 1) What have EPA studies shown about the effects of chlorpyrifos?
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- 5) What advice can the EPA give consumers and farmers who use products with chlorpyrifos?

Please add any other related comments/insights.



Message

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**From:** Perry, Dale [Perry.Dale@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 8/24/2017 4:28:29 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: Important Update to Social Media Policy

Flagging for you as I can see how this phishing email (below) could blow up.

Dale H. Perry, Ph.D.  
Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of Research & Development  
Desk: 202-564-7338  
Mobile: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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**From:** Knudsen, Keeley  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 24, 2017 12:10 PM  
**To:** ORD-DC Feds and NonFeds <ORDDCFedsandNonFeds@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Sykes, John <Sykes.John@epa.gov>; Parton, Caroline <Parton.Caroline@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Important Update to Social Media Policy

All:

If you are receiving the message below, as it appears to be circulating around, our Security ISO told us the following:

"To-date we need to categorize this as phishing email. Do not click on any links and delete. We are waiting on CSIRC final analysis."

Outside email, link to unknown address....avoid this message.

SEE BELOW.

Thank you!

Keeley Knudsen  
Customer Support Representative/ Local Information Security Officer (LISO)  
ORD/OSIM/CSD  
Office - (202)-566-2461  
Cell - Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

For more detailed information about OSIM Services, see our:  
[IT Resources](#), [How to Submit Tickets](#), and/or [OSIM IT Tips](#).

*Please conserve paper and think before you print. The trees thank you.*

MESSAGE GOING OUT TO EVERYONE:

**From:** Human Resources [<mailto:HumanResources@mail.webproxysecurity.com>]

**Sent:** Thursday, August 24, 2017 10:59 AM

**To:** your personal email address

**Subject:** Important Update to Social Media Policy

Agency leadership has decided to institute new social media policies. Due to recent events in the news we are going to start blocking many of the popular social media sites for employees who do not need them for justified, business purposes.

We need your help to determine if you utilize social media and how you feel about this policy change. We have created a portal page on our internal network to get each employee's usage of social media so we can determine which policy should be applied to your workstation. Please [visit the Portal Page](#) and complete this survey.

Your participation is mandatory and this survey must be completed in the next five business days so we can compile results before the default block policy is applied.

Thank you,  
Office of Human Resources

Message

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/11/2017 4:28:10 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** NANCY G: working with media  
**Attachments:** Broadcast Interview Primer.docx

Nancy, just flagging this for you. Julia V. suggested I also run the attached draft broadcast media interview primer, on which I've been working. Let me know if Shereen, or our SAB colleagues, might find it useful.

Regards, R.

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**From:** Kandil, Shereen  
**Sent:** Monday, September 11, 2017 11:38 AM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: working with media

SAB called and asked and I believe they're developing some report and trying to reference.

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*Shereen Kandil*

Communications Director \* Public Participation Specialist \* MENA Program Manager  
U.S. EPA, Office of International and Tribal Affairs  
202-564-6433 (office)  

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<http://www.epa.gov/international-cooperation/public-participation-guide>  
<http://www.epa.gov/international-cooperation>  
<http://www.epa.gov/tribal>



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**From:** Daguillard, Robert  
**Sent:** Monday, September 11, 2017 11:25 AM  
**To:** Kandil, Shereen <Kandil.Shereen@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: working with media

Also, Shereen, can you give a bit more context? I seem to remember SAB wanted some guidelines? Have they gotten and interview request?

Cheers, R.

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**From:** Kandil, Shereen  
**Sent:** Monday, September 11, 2017 11:21 AM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** working with media

Hey Robert,

If you can share any written guidelines on how agencies (aka EPA) deal with the media ... sort of like:

It's important because

This is why media should be involved

This is how it's done

Make sure to have press kits

Etc.

Thanks so much!

Shereen

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***Shereen Kandil***

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<http://www.epa.gov/international-cooperation/public-participation-guide>

<http://www.epa.gov/international-cooperation>

<http://www.epa.gov/tribal>



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**From:** Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/21/2017 1:21:28 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: 2017 Service to America Medals Gala Press Information  
**Attachments:** 09-22-17--EMBARGOED--Sammies Winners 2017.pdf; ATT00001.htm

Last email for now on this. This is the email from the public partnership press person who just called.

Julia P. Valentine  
US EPA Office of Public Affairs  
202.564.2663 direct

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**From:** Erika Walter [mailto:EWalter@ourpublicservice.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 21, 2017 9:16 AM  
**To:** Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: 2017 Service to America Medals Gala Press Information

Hi Julia,

Thanks for taking my call. Below are the press materials for our Sammies recipients. As noted below, the embargo lifts at midnight tonight.

One outstanding press request at this moment is with Kevin Bogardus with E&E News. He can be reached at [kbogardus@eenews.net](mailto:kbogardus@eenews.net) but I'm happy to connect y'all if need be.

Thanks!

Erika Walter  
Press Secretary  
Partnership for Public Service  
[202.775.9111](tel:202.775.9111)

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Kari Rea <KRea@ourpublicservice.org>  
**Date:** September 21, 2017 at 9:10:20 AM EDT  
**To:** Erika Walter <EWalter@ourpublicservice.org>  
**Subject:** FW: 2017 Service to America Medals Gala Press Information

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**From:** Kari Rea  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 20, 2017 10:21 AM  
**To:** 'brooks.phillip@epa.gov' <brooks.phillip@epa.gov>; 'josh.van.eaton@usdoj.gov' <josh.van.eaton@usdoj.gov>; 'bunker.byron@epa.gov' <bunker.byron@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** 'Valentine.Julia@epa.gov' <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; 'Hull.George@epa.gov' <Hull.George@epa.gov>; 'Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov' <Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov>; 'John Senn' <senn.john@epa.gov>; 'Wyn.Hornbuckle@usdoj.gov' <Wyn.Hornbuckle@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** 2017 Service to America Medals Gala Press Information

Good morning, Phillip, Byron and Joshua –

Congratulations on your selection as 2017 Service to America Medalists!

With the gala right around the corner, we wanted to share with you our publicity plans. Please find attached our news release that we've begun distributing to media – this information has an **embargo of Friday, September 22 at 12:01 a.m.** You can also download your Sammies medalist portrait here: <http://bit.ly/2fvLoXT>. Please note this photo is also embargoed until Friday morning. We ask that you please credit this photo to *Braun Film and Video, Inc.* and only use it with Sammies-related stories, articles, announcements, etc.

We encourage your communications office to put out a news release/statement about your award and share the news internally with your colleagues and through your agency's social media channels. Our hashtag for the Sammies is #Sammies2017.

We expect a number of reporters to attend the gala – so far NPR, The Washington Post, The Wall Street Journal, The New York Times, The New Yorker, The Atlantic, CNN, Fox News, CBS News, Politico, Government Executive, NewsChannel 8, Federal News Radio, Federal Times, and ABC News are confirmed – plus we have reached out to your local papers for stories too. We may be in touch with additional interview requests, and our goal is to schedule these in advance of the gala so that you can enjoy the evening.

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If you have any questions, please feel free to get in touch. Congrats again on your award!

All the best,  
Kari

**Kari Rea**

Associate Manager, Communications  
Partnership for Public Service  
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(202) 464-2691

Message

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**From:** Germann, Sandy [Germann.Sandy@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 8/30/2017 4:33:32 PM  
**To:** Dalbey, Matthew [Dalbey.Matthew@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: document on re org

MAtt she is looking for reorg package

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 30, 2017, at 10:11 AM, Dalbey, Matthew <[Dalbey.Matthew@epa.gov](mailto:Dalbey.Matthew@epa.gov)> wrote:

Nancy,  
Per my conversation w Sandy. Close hold.  
md  
<Signed - OP Reorg Memo.pdf>

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**From:** Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/20/2017 5:24:48 PM  
**To:** Senn, John [Senn.John@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: 2017 Service to America Medals Gala Press Information

Hi John, Nancy is checking on this for us.

Julia P. Valentine  
US EPA Office of Public Affairs  
202.564.2663 direct  
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**From:** Senn, John  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 20, 2017 1:23 PM  
**To:** Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: 2017 Service to America Medals Gala Press Information

Are you guys still planning to do a release for this?

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**From:** Kari Rea [<mailto:KRea@ourpublicservice.org>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 20, 2017 10:21 AM  
**To:** Brooks, Phillip <[Brooks.Phillip@epa.gov](mailto:Brooks.Phillip@epa.gov)>; [josh.van.eaton@usdoj.gov](mailto:josh.van.eaton@usdoj.gov); Bunker, Byron <[bunker.byron@epa.gov](mailto:bunker.byron@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Valentine, Julia <[Valentine.Julia@epa.gov](mailto:Valentine.Julia@epa.gov)>; Hull, George <[Hull.George@epa.gov](mailto:Hull.George@epa.gov)>; Orquina, Jessica <[Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov](mailto:Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov)>; Senn, John <[Senn.John@epa.gov](mailto:Senn.John@epa.gov)>; [Wyn.Hornbuckle@usdoj.gov](mailto:Wyn.Hornbuckle@usdoj.gov)  
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All the best,  
Kari

**Kari Rea**

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Message

**From:** Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/25/2017 3:39:24 PM  
**To:** Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]; Dunton, Cheryl [Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]; Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Dicamba

Sure, would you like me to tell the reporter that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Julia P. Valentine  
US EPA Office of Public Affairs  
202.564.2663 direct

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**From:** Strauss, Linda  
**Sent:** Monday, September 25, 2017 11:38 AM  
**To:** Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Dicamba

Julia, can we Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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**From:** Valentine, Julia  
**Sent:** Monday, September 25, 2017 11:33 AM  
**To:** Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Dicamba

Hi Linda and Cheryl – please see below. Thanks! Hope you had nice weekends. ☺

**From:** Hakim, Danny [mailto:hakim@nytimes.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 25, 2017 10:07 AM  
**To:** StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Dicamba

Hello -- I'd like to get the latest on the EPA's position on dicamba. It's been reported that the agency won't ban the use of dicamba tolerant seeds and the new formulation for next year. Could someone walk me through what the agency's position is? Could there be any season restriction? Thanks

On Fri, Sep 8, 2017 at 3:55 PM, StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Hakim,

Please attribute to an agency spokesperson.

As stated previously, the underlying causes of the various damage incidents are not yet clear. This is still an ongoing investigation and we cannot speculate on what the underlying causes of damage may be or what regulatory steps may or may not be taken.

Thanks,

Christie

**From:** Hakim, Danny [mailto:[hakim@nytimes.com](mailto:hakim@nytimes.com)]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 08, 2017 1:29 PM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Press <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Dicamba

Robert -- Just circling back. What data does the agency have regarding particle drift vs volatility? I assume you all must have something you're working off of. Thanks

On Wed, Sep 6, 2017 at 5:30 PM, Hakim, Danny <[hakim@nytimes.com](mailto:hakim@nytimes.com)> wrote:

Okay, thanks. Is there any data on dicamba being a particle drift issue vs volatility? Thanks

On Wed, Sep 6, 2017 at 4:41 PM, Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)> wrote:

Danny, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We are reviewing the current use restrictions on the labels for these dicamba formulations in light of the incidents that have been reported this year. The underlying causes of the various damage incidents are not yet clear, as ongoing investigations have yet to be concluded. But EPA is reviewing all available information carefully. We will rely on the best information available to inform any regulatory change.

Thanks, R.

**From:** Hakim, Danny [mailto:[hakim@nytimes.com](mailto:hakim@nytimes.com)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 05, 2017 11:07 PM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)>

Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Dicamba

Great, thanks. Just want to understand the EPA's current posture on the drift issue, if you have any data on whether this is a problem of particle drift vs volatility -- any breakdown of the proportions -- and check the Reuters report that you are considering imposing restrictions on when it can be sprayed. Not publishing tomorrow but trying to file a draft in the next couple days. Best, Danny

On Tue, Sep 5, 2017 at 10:38 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Hullo Danny,

Why don't you and I connect first thing in the morning? What's your inquiry about and when are you hoping to publish?

Regards, R.

Robert Daguillard

U.S. EPA

Office of Media Relations

Washington D.C.

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202-564-6618 (O)

On Sep 5, 2017, at 6:21 PM, Hakim, Danny <hakim@nytimes.com> wrote:

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From: **Hakim, Danny** <hakim@nytimes.com>

Date: Tue, Sep 5, 2017 at 3:56 PM

Subject: Dicamba

To: konkus.john@epa.gov, grantham.nancy@epa.gov

Hi -- I'm doing some reporting on dicamba for the New York Times. Who is the point of contact at EPA on it? Thanks much

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Danny Hakim

Reporter

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Message

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**From:** Glenn, William [Glenn.William@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 8/25/2017 5:39:18 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Zito, Kelly [ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV]; Orquina, Jessica [Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: EPA leadership has adopted a new social media policy

FYI, Nancy... don't know if you've heard about this Politico item. See below... though I know hurricanes are the priority right now!

I included the original email in question at the bottom of this string. I alerted our regional IT security folks to it when I first saw it.

Bill

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Bill Glenn  
Chief, Web + Internal Communications  
Office of Public Affairs  
U.S. EPA, Pacific Southwest  
[glenn.william@epa.gov](mailto:glenn.william@epa.gov) / (415) 947-4254

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Glenn, William" <[Glenn.William@epa.gov](mailto:Glenn.William@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** August 25, 2017 at 10:05:48 AM PDT  
**To:** "Calvino, Maria Soledad" <[Calvino.Maria@epa.gov](mailto:Calvino.Maria@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** "Maier, Brent" <[Maier.Brent@epa.gov](mailto:Maier.Brent@epa.gov)>, "Barkett, Bonnie" <[Barkett.Bonnie@epa.gov](mailto:Barkett.Bonnie@epa.gov)>, "Zito, Kelly" <[ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV](mailto:ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV)>, "Mogharabi, Nahal" <[MOGHARABI.NAHAL@EPA.GOV](mailto:MOGHARABI.NAHAL@EPA.GOV)>, "PerezSullivan, Margot" <[PerezSullivan.Margot@epa.gov](mailto:PerezSullivan.Margot@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: EPA leadership has adopted a new social media policy

Wow, this is fascinating. The email I saw was definitely a scam... kinda looks like someone thought it was real, sent it to ME, and they assumed it was legit.

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On Aug 25, 2017, at 10:00 AM, Calvino, Maria Soledad <[Calvino.Maria@epa.gov](mailto:Calvino.Maria@epa.gov)> wrote:

I got that email yesterday, but thought it was a scam. It didn't look very legit. Is it the real deal? If so, should we be doing the survey?

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**From:** Maier, Brent  
**Sent:** Friday, August 25, 2017 9:54 AM  
**To:** Barkett, Bonnie <[Barkett.Bonnie@epa.gov](mailto:Barkett.Bonnie@epa.gov)>



**Cc:** Glenn, William <Glenn.William@epa.gov>; Zito, Kelly <ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV>;  
Calvino, Maria Soledad <Calvino.Maria@epa.gov>; Mogharabi, Nahal  
<MOGHARABI.NAHAL@EPA.GOV>; PerezSullivan, Margot  
<PerezSullivan.Margot@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** EPA leadership has adopted a new social media policy

**Bonnie – Have you heard about this change?**

*From today's Politico Morning Energy:*

**ACCESS DENIED:** EPA leadership has adopted a new social media policy that will see employees barred from accessing many popular sites, according to an email from the agency's human resources office obtained by ME. "Due to recent events in the news we are going to start blocking many of the popular social media sites for employees who do not need them for justified, business purposes," it says. Employees must now complete a mandatory survey on their behavior before a default block takes effect.

*Brent Maier*

Congressional Liaison  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX  
75 Hawthorne St. (OPA-3)  
San Francisco, CA 94105  
Ph: 415.947.4256

**From:** Human Resources [<mailto:HumanResources@mail.webproxysecurity.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 24, 2017 7:51 AM  
**To:** Nazmi, Niloufar <[Nazmi.Niloufar@epa.gov](mailto:Nazmi.Niloufar@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Important Update to Social Media Policy

Agency leadership has decided to institute new social media policies. Due to recent events in the news we are going to start blocking many of the popular social media sites for employees who do not need them for justified, business purposes.

We need your help to determine if you utilize social media and how you feel about this policy change. We have created a portal page on our internal network to get each employee's usage of social media so we can determine which policy should be applied to your workstation. Please [visit the Portal Page](#) and complete this survey.

Your participation is mandatory and this survey must be completed in the next five business days so we can compile results before the default block policy is applied.

Thank you,  
Office of Human Resources

Message

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**From:** Rowan, Anne [rowan.anne@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 6/23/2017 2:42:05 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Kelley, Jeff [kelley.jeff@epa.gov]; Beckmann, Ronna Erin [beckmann.ronna@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Nowotarski, Allison [nowotarski.allison@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Asian Carp / press release + draft EPA statement + backgrounder  
**Attachments:** Silver Carp Press Release Close Hold FINAL 06232017.pdf; ATT00001.htm; draft.rapidresponse.statement.docx; 2017 Asian Carp Action Plan Exec Summary.docx

Message

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**From:** Rowan, Anne [rowan.anne@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 6/23/2017 12:39:14 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Nowotarski, Allison [nowotarski.allison@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: CLOSE-HOLD: Final Press Release  
**Attachments:** Silver Carp Press Release Close Hold FINAL 06232017.pdf; ATT00001.htm

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Bolen, Bill" <[Bolen.Bill@epa.gov](mailto:Bolen.Bill@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** June 22, 2017 at 7:35:38 PM CDT  
**To:** "Rowan, Anne" <[rowan.anne@epa.gov](mailto:rowan.anne@epa.gov)>, "[kelley.jeffrey@epa.gov](mailto:kelley.jeffrey@epa.gov)" <[kelley.jeffrey@epa.gov](mailto:kelley.jeffrey@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: CLOSE-HOLD: Final Press Release

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Steiger-Meister, Katie" <[katie\\_steiger-meister@fws.gov](mailto:katie_steiger-meister@fws.gov)>  
**Date:** June 22, 2017 at 5:13:02 PM CDT  
**To:** Jim Bredin <[jbredin@indianawildlife.org](mailto:jbredin@indianawildlife.org)>  
**Cc:** Kevin Irons <[kevin.iron@illinois.gov](mailto:kevin.iron@illinois.gov)>, John Dettmers <[jdettmers@glfc.org](mailto:jdettmers@glfc.org)>, Mike Weimer <[Mike.Weimer@fws.gov](mailto:Mike.Weimer@fws.gov)>, Bill Bolen <[bolen.bill@epa.gov](mailto:bolen.bill@epa.gov)>, Tim Schweizer <[Tim.Schweizer@illinois.gov](mailto:Tim.Schweizer@illinois.gov)>, "Kelly Baerwaldt" <[Kelly\\_Baerwaldt@fws.gov](mailto:Kelly_Baerwaldt@fws.gov)>, Charles Traxler <[charles\\_traxler@fws.gov](mailto:charles_traxler@fws.gov)>, Tim Patronski <[tim\\_patronski@fws.gov](mailto:tim_patronski@fws.gov)>, "Garrett Peterson" <[garrett\\_peterson@fws.gov](mailto:garrett_peterson@fws.gov)>  
**Subject:** CLOSE-HOLD: Final Press Release

Thank you for your edits! I am attaching what I believe to be the \*final\* press release. If you have 11th hour edits please speak now.

As a reminder, this is embargoed for partners until tomorrow at 9 a.m. CDT, 10 a.m. CDT for members of Congress and 11 a.m. CDT for the media/public.

Have a good night!

~Katie

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Kaitlin Steiger-Meister, Ph.D.

Public Affairs Specialist  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Midwest Region

Office:(612) 713-5317 Mobile: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Message

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**From:** Rowan, Anne [rowan.anne@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 6/22/2017 8:23:25 PM  
**To:** Kelley, Jeff [kelley.jeff@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: CLOSE-HOLD: Please review draft silver carp press release  
**Attachments:** DRAFT Silver Carp Press Release Close Hold 06222017.docx

Jeff, Nancy – FWS will be issuing the press release – this is an embargoed draft / work in progress.

Anne Rowan, Chief  
News Media & Intergovernmental Relations Section  
Office of External Communications  
U.S. EPA Region 5, Chicago  
rowan.anne@epa.gov  
312-353-9391

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**From:** Bolen, Bill  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 22, 2017 3:19 PM  
**To:** Rowan, Anne <rowan.anne@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: CLOSE-HOLD: Please review draft silver carp press release

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**From:** Kelly Baerwaldt [mailto:kelly\_baerwaldt@fws.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 22, 2017 12:57 PM  
**To:** Katie Steiger-Meister <katie\_steiger-meister@fws.gov>; Jim Bredin <jbredin@indianawildlife.org>  
**Cc:** Kevin Irons <kevin.iron@illinois.gov>; John Dettmers <jdettmers@glfc.org>; Mike Weimer <mike\_weimer@fws.gov>; Bolen, Bill <Bolen.Bill@epa.gov>; Tim Schweizer <Tim.Schweizer@illinois.gov>; Charles Traxler <charles\_traxler@fws.gov>; Tim Patronski <tim\_patronski@fws.gov>; Garrett Peterson <garrett\_peterson@fws.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: CLOSE-HOLD: Please review draft silver carp press release

I fixed the length and weight, based on the additional info from Kevin

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Kelly

**From:** Steiger-Meister, Katie [mailto:katie\_steiger-meister@fws.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 22, 2017 12:48 PM  
**To:** Jim Bredin  
**Cc:** Kevin Irons; John Dettmers; Mike\_Weimer; Bill Bolen; Tim Schweizer; Kelly Baerwaldt; Charles Traxler; Tim Patronski; Garrett Peterson  
**Subject:** CLOSE-HOLD: Please review draft silver carp press release

All -

Please send me your edits. I will be on the line at 1 p.m. if we want to walk through the press release then as well.

Thanks!

~Katie

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**Kaitlin Steiger-Meister, Ph.D.**

Public Affairs Specialist

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**From:** Jenkins, Laura Flynn [Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/27/2017 3:56:49 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: R8 Hot Issues

Thanks, so far I haven't located anyone who has a copy so I asked Deb's Executive Assistant to please let her know you need this as soon as Deb's meeting ends. If nothing else, I have an 11:00 am meeting w/Deb so will stop in early and ask her about it.

Laura Flynn Jenkins  
Chief of Staff  
USEPA Region 8  
1595 Wynkoop, 8RA  
Denver, CO 80202  
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Email: Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2017 9:53 AM  
**To:** Jenkins, Laura Flynn <Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: R8 Hot Issues

2 pm est thanks

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**From:** Jenkins, Laura Flynn  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2017 11:49:33 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy; Thomas, Deb  
**Subject:** RE: R8 Hot Issues

I didn't receive a copy of the report and Deb is in a meeting for the next hour. I'm making some inquiries to see if anyone else who's available has a copy. What's your timeframe?

Laura Flynn Jenkins  
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Denver, CO 80202  
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Email: Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2017 9:39 AM  
**To:** Jenkins, Laura Flynn <Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov>; Thomas, Deb <thomas.debrah@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fw: R8 Hot Issues

hi deb and laura,

I will be in the daily hot issues briefing where the gkm item will come up -- could you share Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)? I realize it is close hold. thanksn g

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**From:** Torma, Tim  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2017 11:30 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Subject:** FW: R8 Hot Issues

Should I put the GKM item on the agenda for today?

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**From:** Thomas, Deb  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2017 11:29 AM  
**To:** 2017 Daily Hot Issues <[2017\\_Daily\\_Hot\\_Issues@epa.gov](mailto:2017_Daily_Hot_Issues@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Shapiro, Mike <[Shapiro.Mike@epa.gov](mailto:Shapiro.Mike@epa.gov)>; Breen, Barry <[Breen.Barry@epa.gov](mailto:Breen.Barry@epa.gov)>; Minoli, Kevin <[Minoli.Kevin@epa.gov](mailto:Minoli.Kevin@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** R8 Hot Issues

A couple of issues came up after the Thursday weekly that I want to make sure you are aware of.

Debra H. Thomas  
Acting Regional Administrator  
U.S. EPA Region 8  
303-312-6298



Message

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**From:** Mears, Mary [Mears.Mary@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/17/2017 4:38:46 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** McGowan, Michael [McGowan.Michael@epa.gov]; Rini, Sophia [Rini.Sophia@epa.gov]; Kluesner, Dave [kluesner.dave@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: IMPORTANT: TWO MEDIA TOURS/EVENTS -- previously submitted as potential events for the Administrator

As discussed, we will move forward on the **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**. We would send out an advisory to invite media. Should we share that as well?

We do not plan a news release, rather we will use a previously distributed (to the community) public fact sheet.

Any social media will be shared for clearance prior to sending it out.

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 06, 2017 9:10 AM  
**To:** Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: IMPORTANT: TWO MEDIA TOURS/EVENTS -- previously submitted as potential events for the Administrator

These look fine - **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** looks like good for photos and social media.

Thanks ng

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**From:** Mears, Mary  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 04, 2017 4:07 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: IMPORTANT: TWO MEDIA TOURS/EVENTS -- previously submitted as potential events for the Administrator  
**Importance:** High

Hi Nancy,  
The first item is the press avail we'd like to do in mid April. I think we are now thinking April 19 (rather than the week of April 10).

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**From:** Mears, Mary  
**Sent:** Monday, April 03, 2017 12:16 PM  
**To:** regionalpress <regionalpress@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>; McGowan, Michael <McGowan.Michael@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** IMPORTANT: TWO MEDIA TOURS/EVENTS -- previously submitted as potential events for the Administrator  
**Importance:** High

Hi Nancy,  
The region had submitted some event ideas for the Administrator, and we would like to move forward with two of them. One is time-sensitive and would be an early April tour and photo op with staff level folks. The other, which would not be until June, would be a media event with our Acting RA.

**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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Mary Mears  
Public Affairs Director  
U.S. EPA Region 2 (NJ, NY, PR, the US VI and eight Indian Nations)  
(212) 637-3673 (Direct Office)  
(212) 637-3660 (General Office)  

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Message

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**From:** Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/22/2017 3:52:32 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: daily clips

No problem

Julia P. Valentine  
Office of Media Relations  
202.564.2663  
Sent from USEPA iPhone

On Feb 22, 2017, at 10:50 AM, Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

Can you add Elise Packard to the clips list? Thanks ng

**Nancy Grantham**  
**Office of Public Affairs**  
**US Environmental Protection Agency**  
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) **desk)**  
**202-253-7056 (mobile)**

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**From:** Packard, Elise  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 22, 2017 10:06 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** daily clips

Hi Nancy,

What are the rules about the daily clips? Can I get put on the list to read them or are they more close hold?

I thought the event yesterday went very well! Congratulations.

Thanks.

Elise

Elise B. Packard  
Acting Principal Deputy General Counsel  
U.S. EPA Office of General Counsel, Rm. 4020  
(202) 564-7729

Message

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**From:** Cleland-Hamnett, Wendy [Cleland-Hamnett.Wendy@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/21/2017 9:35:11 PM  
**To:** Reeder, John [Reeder.John@epa.gov]  
**CC:** 2017HQfirstassistants [2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov]; Jackson, Ryan (Inhofe) [Ryan\_Jackson@inchofe.senate.gov]; Schnare, David [schnare.david@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: CLOSE HOLD

Thanks!

Wendy Cleland-Hamnett  
Acting Assistant Administrator  
Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator  
Office of Chemical Safety & Pollution Prevention  
U.S. EPA

On Feb 21, 2017, at 3:26 PM, Reeder, John <[Reeder.John@epa.gov](mailto:Reeder.John@epa.gov)> wrote:

Yes, it's absolutely up to you to invite people, within a reasonable number of course.

Regarding switching to another time. I've CC'd Ryan and Dave, if they wish to weigh in. My 2 cents is if you can work it out with another AA, and let us know and we can adjust the schedule afterward.

JReeder  
564 6082

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**From:** Cleland-Hamnett, Wendy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 21, 2017 1:48 PM  
**To:** Reeder, John <[Reeder.John@epa.gov](mailto:Reeder.John@epa.gov)>; 2017HQfirstassistants <[2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov](mailto:2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Anderson, Denise <[anderson.denise@epa.gov](mailto:anderson.denise@epa.gov)>; Jackson, Ryan (Inhofe) <[Ryan\\_Jackson@inchofe.senate.gov](mailto:Ryan_Jackson@inchofe.senate.gov)>; Schnare, David <[schnare.david@epa.gov](mailto:schnare.david@epa.gov)>; Flynn, Mike <[Flynn.Mike@epa.gov](mailto:Flynn.Mike@epa.gov)>; Hale, Michelle <[hale.michelle@epa.gov](mailto:hale.michelle@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: CLOSE HOLD

Thanks, John. Couple questions:

Since we're in conference rooms, can I assume that it's ok to include a few senior managers in the discussion?

Also, I have a longstanding commitment to speak at an ABA/ELI forum at noontime re TSCA implementation. It would be very helpful if I could switch times with one of the other offices. Any time from 2:30 on would work well. If not, I'll cut out of the forum right after I speak, rather than staying for the rest of the panel.

Wendy Cleland-Hamnett  
Acting Assistant Administrator  
Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator  
Office of Chemical Safety & Pollution Prevention

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
202-564-2910  
[cleland-hamnett.wendy@epa.gov](mailto:cleland-hamnett.wendy@epa.gov)

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**From:** Reeder, John  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 21, 2017 1:32 PM  
**To:** 2017HQfirstassistants <[2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov](mailto:2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Anderson, Denise <[anderson.denise@epa.gov](mailto:anderson.denise@epa.gov)>; Jackson, Ryan (Inhofe) <[Ryan\\_Jackson@inhofe.senate.gov](mailto:Ryan_Jackson@inhofe.senate.gov)>; Schnare, David <[schnare.david@epa.gov](mailto:schnare.david@epa.gov)>; Flynn, Mike <[Flynn.Mike@epa.gov](mailto:Flynn.Mike@epa.gov)>; Hale, Michelle <[hale.michelle@epa.gov](mailto:hale.michelle@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** CLOSE HOLD

Senior Leaders,

We are adjusting to a significant shift in the Administrator's plans this week...now setting up "general overview" meetings for WEDNESDAY, February 22.

THE MEETINGS BELOW ARE BEING BILLED AS "FIRST ROUND," WITH MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR DETAILED BRIEFS AS NEEDED.  
ADDITIONAL OFFICES/PROGRAMS WILL BE ADDED LATER...THIS IS JUST THE START

Wednesday, February 22

8:30-9:15 OCFO & budget

10-10:30 Emergency response overview, visit EOC, COOP briefing (OARM should be represented)

10:40 11:20 OAR structure, mission/function, high level issues (OAR conf room...please send room number to Denise Anderson)

11:30-12:15 OW structure, mission/function, high level issues (OW conf room...please send room number to Denise Anderson)

1:10-1:50 OCSPP structure, mission/function, high level issues (OCSPP conf room...please send room number to Denise Anderson)

2:00-2:45 OLEM structure, mission/function, high level issues (OLEM conf room...please send room number to Denise Anderson)

3:00-3:45 OECA structure, mission/function, high level issues (OECA conf room...please send room number to Denise Anderson)

4:00-5:00 OGC (billed as "general"), Administrator's office...will confirm ASAP

John E. Reeder  
202 564 6082 (direct)

Message

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**From:** Rini, Sophia [Rini.Sophia@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/14/2017 12:06:34 PM  
**To:** Orquina, Jessica [Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** R2 Social Media  
**Attachments:** R2SocialMediaContent 4-17-17.docx

Please see attached.

Thank you!

**Sophia Rini**  
Community Involvement Coordinator | Public Affairs Division  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2  
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**Facebook:** [facebook.com/eparegion2](https://facebook.com/eparegion2)  
**Blog:** [blog.epa.gov/blog/category/greeningtheapple/](http://blog.epa.gov/blog/category/greeningtheapple/)

Message

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**From:** Szaro, Deb [Szaro.Deb@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/18/2017 2:53:34 PM  
**To:** Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]  
**CC:** 2017HQfirstassistants [2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov]; 2017Regionfirstassistants [2017Regionfirstassistants@epa.gov]; Reeder, John [Reeder.John@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Draft Priority Issues Paper

Very helpful...thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 17, 2017, at 4:45 PM, Flynn, Mike <Flynn.Mike@epa.gov> wrote:

All,

I mentioned at our meeting late yesterday that David Schnare provided a draft paper on priority issues to Ryan Jackson earlier this week. I've attached a copy of this draft paper ("Feb 15 Issues List") for your awareness. This is close hold, so please do not circulate.

Please keep in mind that this paper is still a "work in progress." David needed to get something to Ryan quickly so he provided this draft. We provided some additional input/comments (e.g., an update to the place-based issues, also attached) that he didn't have time to incorporate but will be addressed going forward.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks, Mike

<Feb 15 Issues List rev.docx>

<place based issues updated.docx>



Message

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**From:** Cleland-Hamnett, Wendy [Cleland-Hamnett.Wendy@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/17/2017 9:54:30 PM  
**To:** Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]; 2017HQfirstassistants [2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov]; 2017Regionfirstassistants [2017Regionfirstassistants@epa.gov]; Reeder, John [Reeder.John@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Draft Priority Issues Paper

Thanks, Mike. Really appreciate having this for planning purposes.

Wendy Cleland-Hamnett  
Acting Assistant Administrator  
Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator  
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
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**From:** Flynn, Mike  
**Sent:** Friday, February 17, 2017 4:45 PM  
**To:** 2017HQfirstassistants <2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov>; 2017Regionfirstassistants <2017Regionfirstassistants@epa.gov>; Reeder, John <Reeder.John@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Draft Priority Issues Paper

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**Sent:** 2/17/2017 9:44:58 PM  
**To:** 2017HQfirstassistants [2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov]; 2017Regionfirstassistants [2017Regionfirstassistants@epa.gov]; Reeder, John [Reeder.John@epa.gov]  
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**Attachments:** Feb 15 Issues List rev.docx; place based issues updated.docx

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**From:** Lincoln, Larry [Lincoln.Larry@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/17/2017 8:39:57 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: EMBARGOED UNTIL 5:30 P.M. EST FEB. 17, 2017

Great – we will amplify to regional media after the embargo is lifted.

Thanks,

*Larry*

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
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**To:** Lincoln, Larry <Lincoln.Larry@epa.gov>  
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Yes thx

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 17, 2017, at 3:37 PM, Lincoln, Larry <[Lincoln.Larry@epa.gov](mailto:Lincoln.Larry@epa.gov)> wrote:

This is the final version, correct?

*Larry*

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Friday, February 17, 2017 3:36 PM

To: Regional Public Affairs Directors <[Regional\\_Public\\_Affairs\\_Directors@epa.gov](mailto:Regional_Public_Affairs_Directors@epa.gov)>

Subject: FW: EMBARGOED UNTIL 5:30 P.M. EST FEB. 17, 2017

Embargoed release ... fyi ..thanks ng

**Nancy Grantham**  
**Office of Public Affairs**  
**US Environmental Protection Agency**  
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From: Milbourn, Cathy

Sent: Friday, February 17, 2017 3:31 PM

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Subject: EMBARGOED UNTIL 5:30 P.M. EST FEB. 17, 2017

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CONTACT:

[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)

## **Scott Pruitt Confirmed and Sworn in as EPA Administrator**

**WASHINGTON**--Today, Oklahoma Attorney General Scott Pruitt was confirmed and sworn in as the 14th administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Administrator Pruitt believes promoting and protecting a strong and healthy environment is one of the lifeblood priorities of the government, and EPA is a vital part of that mission.

Pruitt became a national leader through a career of advocating to keep power in the hands of hardworking Americans. He has a proven record of working with industry, farmers, ranchers, landowners, small business owners and others to protect our natural resources.

As a dedicated civil servant, Pruitt created policies that serve the people. He strongly believes environmental law, policy, and progress are all based on cooperation among the states, cooperation between the states and EPA, and cooperation between regulators and the public.

As Administrator, Mr. Pruitt will lead EPA in a way that our future generations inherit a better and healthier environment while advancing America's economic interests. He is committed to working with the thousands of dedicated public servants at EPA who have devoted their careers to helping realize this shared vision, while faithfully administering environmental laws.

Most recently, Administrator Pruitt served as the Attorney General for Oklahoma. He worked with his Democratic counterpart in Arkansas to reach agreement to study the water quality of the Illinois River that crosses between the two states and has been enjoyed by generations of Oklahomans and Arkansans. The Statement of Joint Principles provided for a best science study using EPA-approved methods, with both states agreeing, for the first time, to be bound by the outcome.

During his tenure as Oklahoma's Attorney General, Mr. Pruitt led an historic water rights settlement between the State of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City and the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations that preserved the ecosystems of scenic lakes and rivers on native lands. The agreement, which required Congressional approval, was signed into law on December 2016.

The Law provides a framework that fosters intergovernmental collaboration on significant water resource concerns while protecting existing water rights and affirming the State's role in water rights permitting and administration. Water settlement cases can be lengthy, costly, divisive and disruptive, however under Pruitt's forward thinking leadership the process was hailed by all parties as one of commitment, hard work, perseverance and cooperation.

As Attorney General for Oklahoma, he also led the State's legal challenges against property rights intrusion while protecting Oklahoma's natural resources and environment.

Administrator Pruitt is recognized as a national leader in the cause to restore the proper balance between the states and federal government, and established common sense regulations that are fair and provide relief where needed. Before being elected attorney general, he served eight years in the Oklahoma State Senate where he was a leading voice for fiscal responsibility.

After earning his Bachelor's Degree from Georgetown College and graduating from the University of Tulsa law school, Pruitt went into private legal practice, specializing in Constitutional Law.

In addition to his life as a civil servant, Administrator Pruitt is a successful entrepreneur. As a co-owner and managing general partner of Oklahoma City's Triple-A minor league baseball affiliate, the Oklahoma City RedHawks, Mr. Pruitt took over the team's marketing operations and helped the team become one of the league's leaders in attendance and merchandise sales.

Scott Pruitt is, first and foremost, a family man. Scott and Marlyn, his wife of 27 years, proudly raised their daughter, McKenna, and son, Cade, in Tulsa. Scott has made it a priority to pass on to his children the same principled, family values with which he was raised.

To see Administrator Pruitt's biography, visit: <https://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/epas-administrator>

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**From:** Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/17/2017 3:22:39 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: NANCY FW: Subject: More specific budget question

Actually, disregard. The reporter said they got what they needed elsewhere.

Thanks

Julia P. Valentine  
Assoc. Dir./Acting Dir.  
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202.564.2663 direct  
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**From:** Valentine, Julia  
**Sent:** Friday, March 17, 2017 11:22 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** NANCY FW: Subject: More specific budget question

Nancy,

Do you want to work with the region to get this number? I'm happy to do that, just let me know

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert  
**Sent:** Friday, March 17, 2017 9:48 AM  
**To:** Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Subject: More specific budget question

Actually, Nate is suggesting sending this one to the region. Will you forward?

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**From:** Valentine, Julia  
**Sent:** Friday, March 17, 2017 9:33 AM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Subject: More specific budget question

I think this is one that you can send to nate, also to get an answer on the q about current funding

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert  
**Sent:** Friday, March 17, 2017 9:16 AM  
**To:** [bgibbons@express-news.net](mailto:bgibbons@express-news.net)  
**Subject:** Subject: More specific budget question

Good morning,

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

**EPA Answer:** The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. Administrator Pruitt is committed to leading the EPA in a more effective, more focused, less costly way as we partner with states to fulfill the agency's core mission.

**From:** Gibbons, Brendan [<mailto:BGibbons@express-news.net>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 16, 2017 12:43 PM  
**To:** Durant, Jennah <[Durant.Jennah@epa.gov](mailto:Durant.Jennah@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** More specific budget question

Hi Jennah,

Would you be able to look up the amount of funding in Partnership Performance Grants that will go to Texas in FY17? If that's not available at this point, what about FY16? That will help me put some of these budget cuts in context.

Thank you,

**Brendan Gibbons**  
Environment and water reporter  
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**Sent:** 2/1/2017 9:13:10 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** UPDATED Daily Wrap 2/1/2017

**Importance:** High

Removed anything that was on yesterday, open or closed

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Accu-Weather (Jennifer Fabiano) [Received 1/31] – OPEN – 2016 Clean School Bus Rebate Program; reporter would like information about program in Maine and Connecticut – DDL 2/6

Agnet Media (Josh McGill) [Received 1/26] -- CLOSED – Pyrethroids; sent response

Agri-Pulse (Steve Davies) [Received 1/25] – OPEN – Pyrethroids; response awaiting approval – DDL Today

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This American Life (Ben Phelan) [Received 1/24]—OPEN—Asking about mercury. Have the story—not sure if its EPA—it's about fire gilding process on antique clock restoration. DDL Flexible.

AP (Jason Dearen) [Rec'd 1/23] – OPEN – Mosaic settlement. Response out for review.

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CT Health Investigative Team (Gary Stoller) [Rec'd 1/30] – CLOSED 1/31 – ECHO Database: NPDES violations. DDL: 1/30

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Fed Health IT (April Doster) [Received week of 1/23] – OPEN – Interview with Sean Kelley, named among Fed Health Top 100 Officials; discussing with OPA – DDL Flexible

Fox News (John Dzenitis) [Rec'd 1/25] – OPEN – Noble Energy Investigation. Follow-up with OECA.

Freelancer /NYT (Sharon Lerner) [Received 1/30]—OPEN-- Writing a piece about chlorpyrifos, asking if EPA intends to finalize the revocation of the tolerances for chlorpyrifos that the agency suggested first in 2015 and then in its revised human health assessment in November. DDL 1/31

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Scientific American (Rachel Cernansky) [Received 1/30] – OPEN – Freelance reporter exploring a story about GHS mixtures equation testing; GHS mixtures equations aim at reducing use of animals in testing pesticide formulas; in program – DDL 2/1

Stamping (Kate Bachman) [Rec'd 1/17] – OPEN - lubricants and cleaning solutions to avoid for ecofriendly and compliant wastewater-to-sewer discharge. DDL: 1/24/17. In press box for review.

Vermont Public Radio (Kathleen Masterson) [Received 1/24] – CLOSED – Reporter fact-checking basic information about TSCA (numbers of registered chemicals, etc.); response sent

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**Subject:** Re: NANCY / GEORGW Fwd: Media inquiry: EPA media-relations protocols

Ok

DDL Thurs afternoon

On Feb 15, 2017, at 8:28 PM, Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

Will check - I need to let them know **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 15, 2017, at 8:14 PM, Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov> wrote:

Suggest we use **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Something like this:

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We can tell him on background and not for attribution that **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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Also on background, **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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And if John and Doug want me to, I am comfortable saying on background **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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Julia P. Valentine  
Office of Media Relations  
202.564.2663  
Sent from USEPA iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**Resent-From:** <Press@epa.gov>

**From:** "Christopher Flavelle (BLOOMBERG/ NEWSROOM:)" <cflavelle@bloomberg.net>

**Date:** February 15, 2017 at 3:56:26 PM EST

**To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>

**Subject:** Media inquiry: EPA media-relations protocols

**Reply-To:** Christopher Flavelle <cflavelle@bloomberg.net>

We're doing a piece on the current rules governing the EPA's communications team. I wondered if somebody in that office could answer the following:

1) There haven't been any new tweets or HQ press releases since Jan. 19. How long will that policy stay in place for?

2) We've also noticed that questions sent to career press officers at headquarters no longer seem to get answered by that same press officer, but rather through the "[press@epa.gov](mailto:press@epa.gov)" account. Are HQ press officers no longer allowed to provide substantive answers to reporters' questions (e.g. beyond simply acknowledging the email) from their own [epa.gov](mailto:epa.gov) email account?

3) It also seems like responses are taking longer. Do responses to emailed questions need to be approved by the beachhead team before being sent?

4) Are career press officers at EPA headquarters still allowed to meet in person with reporters, or has that been restricted? Are they still allowed to speak by phone with reporters?

5) What other general media restrictions in place?

Thanks,

Chris Flavelle

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Christopher Flavelle  
Climate policy reporter, Bloomberg News  
[cflavelle@bloomberg.net](mailto:cflavelle@bloomberg.net) | @cflav  
Direct line: 202-807-2202  
Signal: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)  
1101 New York Avenue NW  
Washington, DC, 20005

Message

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**From:** Zito, Kelly [ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV]  
**Sent:** 1/24/2017 7:18:31 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: Region 9 media event planned for Feb 1: Food Forward  
**Attachments:** Media Advisory [Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)] DRAFT 1 23 17.docx

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**From:** Keener, Bill  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 24, 2017 11:17 AM  
**To:** Zito, Kelly <ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV>  
**Subject:** Region 9 media event planned for [Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)]

This media advisory is for [Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)]  
[Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)] If the event goes forward, we  
would issue a press release about it to LA media.

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**Bill Keener**  
Office of Public Affairs  
U.S. EPA - Region 9  
San Francisco, CA  
Phone: (415) 972-3940

Message

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**From:** Kudarauskas, Paul [Kudarauskas.Paul@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/7/2017 6:25:48 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Irizarry, Gilberto [Irizarry.Gilberto@epa.gov]; Charters, David [Charters.DavidW@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Woodyard, Josh [Woodyard.Joshua@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Have a question

We are unsure at the moment Nancy. We have not posted it yet since we are unsure how to finalize it. At the time it is being shared via email to interested parties. We are thinking the CMAT Page on [responmse.epa.gov](http://responmse.epa.gov), but there has not been a final decision.

I asked around (CMAD & ORD) and no one knows who wrote the blurb on the guide you have below.

Kuda

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Paul G. Kudarauskas, "Kuda"  
Chief, Field Operations Branch  
CBRN Consequence Management Advisory Division  
Office of Emergency Management  
United States Environmental Protection Agency  
Mobile: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Office: 202-564-2415

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Friday, April 07, 2017 2:14 PM  
**To:** Kudarauskas, Paul <Kudarauskas.Paul@epa.gov>; Irizarry, Gilberto <Irizarry.Gilberto@epa.gov>; Charters, David <Charters.DavidW@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Woodyard, Josh <Woodyard.Joshua@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Have a question

Thanks .. where will it live?

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**From:** Kudarauskas, Paul  
**Sent:** Friday, April 07, 2017 2:09 PM  
**To:** Irizarry, Gilberto <[Irizarry.Gilberto@epa.gov](mailto:Irizarry.Gilberto@epa.gov)>; Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>; Charters, David <[Charters.DavidW@epa.gov](mailto:Charters.DavidW@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Woodyard, Josh <[Woodyard.Joshua@epa.gov](mailto:Woodyard.Joshua@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Have a question

Thanks Tito.

Nancy,

We have a "Draft" Reference Guide: Fentanyl Class of Compounds, generated for the EPA Response Community per their request (R5 Tricia Edwards). It has been socialized with R5, R4 and R9 since they all expressed interest. It is in Draft form until it goes through whatever approvals it needs to go through (if any). I have not had the chance to confirm what it needs to go through to "finalize."



I am unsure where this language came for it is not "close hold." I am waiting to hear back from Larry (CMAD POC) to determine where this paragraph came from.

I have attached the document since I cannot find it online anywhere, nor this paragraph.

I did find references to the guide from ORD

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Let me know if oyu have any questions or concerns.

Kuda

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Paul G. Kudarauskas, "Kuda"  
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United States Environmental Protection Agency  
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**From:** Irizarry, Gilberto  
**Sent:** Friday, April 07, 2017 1:47 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>; Charters, David <[Charters.DavidW@epa.gov](mailto:Charters.DavidW@epa.gov)>; Kudarauskas, Paul <[Kudarauskas.Paul@epa.gov](mailto:Kudarauskas.Paul@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Woodyard, Josh <[Woodyard.Joshua@epa.gov](mailto:Woodyard.Joshua@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Have a question

Nancy:

Adding David and Kuda here (from CMAD) for them to assist with your question.

Thanks,

Gilberto "Tito" Irizarry  
Director, Preparedness & Response Ops Division  
Office of Emergency Management (OEM)  
USEPA  
O: 202-564-7982  
C: **Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)**

Sent from my iPhone, please excuse typos.

On Apr 7, 2017, at 1:43 PM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

<image001.gif>

This was in a hot issues report – and I was asked where this was posted as it is close hold. Presume [osc.org/response.gov](http://osc.org/response.gov). Can you confirm? Thanks  
ng

ORD's National Homeland Security Research Center, EPA's Consequence Management Advisory Division, Environmental Response Team, and Regional On-Scene Coordinators (OSCs) have drafted a close-hold Reference Guide on fentanyl in support of EPA's OSCs involved in response to contaminated sites. This guide provides technical information on the fentanyl class of opioid compounds and prepares EPA for involvement in clean-up and remediation of opiate-contaminated sites. This guide also provides state and local Haz-Mat partners with the most pertinent information needed for a safe response.

Message

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**From:** Coleman, Sam [Coleman.Sam@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 1/20/2017 9:33:59 PM  
**To:** Reeder, John [Reeder.John@epa.gov]; 2017HQfirstassistants [2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov]; DRA [DRA@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Allen, Reginald [Allen.Reginald@epa.gov]; Dickerson, Aaron [Dickerson.Aaron@usepa.onmicrosoft.com]; Willis, Sharnett [Willis.Sharnett@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: phone contact list

Why are some acting and some not?

Samuel Coleman, P.E.  
Deputy Regional Administrator  
EPA Region 6  
[coleman.sam@epa.gov](mailto:coleman.sam@epa.gov)  
214.665.2100 Ofc  
214.665.3110 Direct  

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**From:** Reeder, John  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 5:24 PM  
**To:** 2017HQfirstassistants <2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov>; DRA <DRA@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Allen, Reginald <Allen.Reginald@epa.gov>; Dickerson, Aaron <Dickerson.Aaron@usepa.onmicrosoft.com>; Willis, Sharnett <Willis.Sharnett@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** phone contact list

All,

This is a first cut on an updated contact list to include the “acting” officials.

Three things:

1. This is and always has been “**close hold**,” distributed only to those on the list;
2. Please check that your assistants, deputies, other staff listed are the right people, and also have the correct phone numbers listed;
3. Apologies if we botched any titles. We’ll send a new version with fixes if necessary;
4. Please send corrections to SHARNETT WILLIS (and cc me please).

Thank you.  
JReeder  
202 564 6082

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**From:** Carey, Curtis [Carey.Curtis@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 8/9/2019 8:20:38 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** HQ Clearance Needed : Meskwaki Nation TAS includes Section 401 of the CWA  
**Attachments:** 2019-08-15 Meskwaki Nation TAS Announcement PR DRAFT Ver2.docx

Hi Nancy,

Attached is a draft news release for HQ clearance. The Region is scheduled to join the Meskwaki Nation next Thursday for a signing ceremony and media event announcing EPA's approval of their application for treatment in a similar manner as a state for CWA. HQ approved the application. The Meskwaki Nation is located in Iowa.

The release includes a description of tribal administration of Section 401 of the CWA, along with 303(c), etc.

*Can you call me to discuss please?* Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (I tried calling but missed you.)

thanks,  
Curtis

Message

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**From:** Hubbard, Carolyn [Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 8/8/2019 9:11:52 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: HEADS UP: Pending Publication, MESA Air: Next Steps (EPA STAR Grant) -- EMBARGOED until after 11 a.m. ET, August 13th, 2019 -- DO NOT DISTRIBUTE  
**Attachments:** air pollution emphysema V5.docx; August 13 JAMA - Air Pollution[1].pdf

FYI

Carolyn Hubbard  
Communications Director  
EPA Office of Research and Development  
202-564-2189

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**From:** Brown, Ann  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 08, 2019 4:50 PM  
**To:** Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>; Noonan, Jenny <Noonan.Jenny@epa.gov>; Davis, Alison <Davis.Alison@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>; Widener, Kelly <Widener.Kelly@epa.gov>; Maguire, Megan <Maguire.Megan@epa.gov>; Fitzpatrick, Kacey <Fitzpatrick.Kacey@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** HEADS UP: Pending Publication, MESA Air: Next Steps (EPA STAR Grant) -- EMBARGOED until after 11 a.m. ET, August 13th, 2019 -- DO NOT DISTRIBUTE

For your awareness. A paper will be published in the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) on Aug. 13 that describes the results of a study, partially funded by an EPA STAR grant, which found air pollution, especially ozone, accelerates the progression of emphysema of the lung similar to smoking a pack a day of cigarettes. The embargoed news release by the University of Washington and paper are attached. Other participating universities also may distribute a news release.

There is a strict embargo on the news release and paper until Aug. 13 at 11 a.m. ET. Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you.

Best,  
Ann Brown

Communications Lead  
Air & Energy Research Program  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Research Triangle Park, NC  
Work: 919-541-7818  
Mobile: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)  
[brown.ann@epa.gov](mailto:brown.ann@epa.gov)

Message

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**From:** Carey, Curtis [Carey.Curtis@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 7/23/2019 4:42:04 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Harwood, Jackie [Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Washburn, Ben [washburn.ben@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: visit update 1

Nancy and Jackie: Please call me.

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**From:** Washburn, Ben  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2019 11:37 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Carey, Curtis <Carey.Curtis@epa.gov>; Harwood, Jackie <Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: visit update 1  
**Importance:** High

This is another meeting, separate from the SRI event. As part of the Administrator's visit to

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but I'm not involved in planning or preparation for that at all, so in the dark mostly.

Benjamin M. Washburn  
Public Affairs Specialist  
EPA Region 7  
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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2019 11:31 AM  
**To:** Carey, Curtis <Carey.Curtis@epa.gov>; Harwood, Jackie <Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov>; Washburn, Ben <washburn.ben@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: visit update 1

Ben and Curtis,

See below – is this your SRI event on July 30<sup>th</sup> or another meeting?

Thanks ng

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**From:** Harwood, Jackie  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2019 11:08 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: visit update 1

This sounds like Administrator SRI event is on the 30th, not the 31st. Did we know that? Sorry if I missed this.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Washburn, Ben" <washburn.ben@epa.gov>  
**Date:** July 23, 2019 at 11:00:30 AM EDT  
**To:** "Hayes, Scott" <Hayes.Scott@epa.gov>, "Peterson, Mary" <Peterson.Mary@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** "Law, Preston" <law.preston@epa.gov>, "Juett, Lynn" <Juett.Lynn@epa.gov>, "Fonseca, Silvina" <Fonseca.Silvina@epa.gov>, "Harwood, Jackie" <Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov>, "Stalcup, Dana" <Stalcup.Dana@epa.gov>, "Carey, Curtis" <Carey.Curtis@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: visit update 1

I just spoke to Mayor Briggs. We are a go for [REDACTED] **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**  
[REDACTED] **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**  
[REDACTED] Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) I asked the mayor to keep this very close hold only to himself at this point, and he agreed.

Benjamin M. Washburn  
Public Affairs Specialist  
EPA Region 7  
[REDACTED] Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (cell)

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**From:** Hayes, Scott  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2019 9:36 AM  
**To:** Peterson, Mary <Peterson.Mary@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Law, Preston <law.preston@epa.gov>; Juett, Lynn <Juett.Lynn@epa.gov>; Washburn, Ben <washburn.ben@epa.gov>; Fonseca, Silvina <Fonseca.Silvina@epa.gov>; Harwood, Jackie <Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov>; Stalcup, Dana <Stalcup.Dana@epa.gov>; Hayes, Scott <Hayes.Scott@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** visit update 1

Per Jim (from Michael - COS),

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**From:** Myers, Kevin [Myers.Kevin@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 6/17/2019 6:20:12 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**CC:** HQSECURITY [HQSECURITY@epa.gov]; Bellerose, William [Bellerose.William@epa.gov]; Ovalle, Art [Ovalle.Arturo@epa.gov]; Jefferson, Gayle [Jefferson.Gayle@epa.gov]; Petrole, Maryann [Petrole.Maryann@epa.gov]; Jackson, Yvette [Jackson.Yvette@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Large Events this week

Hi- Thank you, yes we have received the info for the OSBDU event. Please let us know when/where you will be available to meet.

Kevin L. Myers  
HQ Operations  
OMS/OA/FMSD  
Environmental Protection Agency  
Office: 202-564-3112  
Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Monday, June 17, 2019 2:16 PM  
**To:** Myers, Kevin <Myers.Kevin@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** HQSECURITY <HQSECURITY@epa.gov>; Bellerose, William <bellerose.william@epa.gov>; Ovalle, Art <Ovalle.Arturo@epa.gov>; Jefferson, Gayle <Jefferson.Gayle@epa.gov>; Petrole, Maryann <Petrole.Maryann@epa.gov>; Jackson, Yvette <Jackson.Yvette@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Large Events this week

1030 - we will need to meet tomorrow- there are s few intricacies thx ng

Do you have names for the 1153 east meeting?

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 17, 2019, at 2:13 PM, Myers, Kevin <Myers.Kevin@epa.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon Nancy-

Do you have the timeframe for the AO event? With the multiple events, we have to be able to plan for and allocate resources appropriately.

Thank you-

Kevin L. Myers  
HQ Operations/Security  
OMS/OA/FMSD  
Environmental Protection Agency  
Office: 202-564-3112  
Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)



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**From:** Grantham, Nancy

**Sent:** Monday, June 17, 2019 7:54 AM

**To:** HQSECURITY <HQSECURITY@epa.gov>; Myers, Kevin <Myers.Kevin@epa.gov>; Bellerose, William <bellerose.william@epa.gov>; Ovalle, Art <Ovalle.Arturo@epa.gov>; Jefferson, Gayle <Jefferson.Gayle@epa.gov>; Petrole, Maryann <Petrole.Maryann@epa.gov>; Jackson, Yvette <Jackson.Yvette@epa.gov>

**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>

**Subject:** Large Events this week

Heads up that there are 2 large events this week –

OSBDU event in 1153 East on June 19 – up to 100 outside visitors – OSBDU should be getting you the names

Administrator event in the Green Room on June 19 – up to 100 outside visitors - including possible Members of Congress and other dignitaries – may require parking in north courtyard – media event – will get names as soon as we have them – We should have a meeting on this one on Tuesday

Thanks ng

**Nancy Grantham**

**Principal Deputy Associate Administrator**

**Environmental Protection Agency**

**Office of Public Affairs**

**202-564-6879 (desk)**

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**grantham.nancy@epa.gov**

Message

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**From:** Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 5/6/2019 12:27:57 PM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: MIKE: Revised questions for Alex and for staff: clarifying deadline for questions we've asked staff to submit

Gotcha./

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert  
**Sent:** Monday, May 6, 2019 8:28 AM  
**To:** Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: MIKE: Revised questions for Alex and for staff: clarifying deadline for questions we've asked staff to submit

10-10:20 AM.

**Robert Daguillard**  
**Office of Media Relations**  
**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency**  
Washington, DC  
+1 (202) 564-6618 (O)  
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On May 6, 2019, at 8:19 AM, Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov> wrote:

How long is the interview slated to go for?

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 5, 2019 9:24 PM  
**To:** Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: MIKE: Revised questions for Alex and for staff: clarifying deadline for questions we've asked staff to submit

Got it. If OK, I'll stay and make an audio recording so Anthony can write notes later.

Cheers, R.

**Robert Daguillard**  
**Office of Media Relations**  
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**From:** Abboud, Michael  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 05, 2019 9:18 PM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>

**Subject:** Re: MIKE: Revised questions for Alex and for staff: clarifying deadline for questions we've asked staff to submit

Yes. I'll be over at Alex's office at 9:45.

Sent from my iPhone

On May 5, 2019, at 9:15 PM, Daguiard, Robert <[Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov)> wrote:

Mike, following up on Alex's interview with Pat Rizzuto and Adam Allington of BNV, now scheduled for 10 AM Monday in Alex's office. Alex met office directors last week and prepared extensively for the interview.

Per previous conversation, I assume you'll staff. I'll plan to get the reporters at the East Entrance on Constitution Avenue at 9:45 AM and have them wait outside Alex's office until she's ready.

Please advise and confirm.

Cheers, R.

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**From:** Daguiard, Robert  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 02, 2019 3:32 PM  
**To:** Rizzuto, Denise Pat <[prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com](mailto:prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com)>  
**Cc:** Allington, Adam <[aallington@bloombergenvironment.com](mailto:aallington@bloombergenvironment.com)>; Gibb, Steven <[sGibb@bloombergenvironment.com](mailto:sGibb@bloombergenvironment.com)>; Press <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Revised questions for Alex and for staff: clarifying deadline for questions we've asked staff to submit

Good afternoon Pat,

For attribution to the Agency, please. See you on Monday.

1. How many full time equivalent employees did OPPT have in June 2016 (or close to that month) before the Lautenberg Chemical Safety Act became law?

OPPT's FY 2016 FTE ceiling was 282.1.

2. How many do you have as of now (or most recent available figure)?

The FY 2019 FTE ceiling is 340.1. Note the FY 19 FTE ceiling is not directly comparable to the FY 2016 ceiling as the TRI program was reorganized from OEI to OPPT in FY 2017 with a shift of 24.6 FTE.

3. Can you break those OPPT staff down into rough areas of expertise e.g. chemists, risk assessors, economists, industrial hygienists?

Roughly half of OPPT consists of staff classified as generalists. These staff undertake a wide variety of tasks including administrative functions, internal project management and coordination, contracts management, regulatory development, and development, reviews and coordination of internal and external documents and work products.

The other half of OPPT staff are specialists. Approximately one third of these specialists are engineers, economists, IT specialists and a small number of attorneys. The remainder are in scientific fields of expertise, and are primarily engaged in developing and reviewing exposure modeling, and undertaking and managing risk assessment work.

4. Alex Dunn said OPPT was hiring. How many more people do you plan/hope to hire? What expertise are you seeking?

OPPT is undertaking a concerted and focused hiring effort to hire up to the FY 2019 FTE ceiling of 340.1. OPPT's senior leadership team completed several analyses and workforce planning exercises to identify and prioritize the most critical hiring needs to fill remaining slots. The majority of the critical hires are for scientific positions.

5. How many contractor firms are working with OPPT? What are their broad areas of support?

OPPT is obtaining programmatic support from a variety of contractors. Broad areas of support include chemical risk assessment for new and existing chemicals; economic and other analysis for chemical risk management; chemical testing and analysis; information technology (IT) and other support for information collection and management; general IT; outreach and communication support; and confidential business information management.

Cheers, R.

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**From:** Rizzuto, Denise Pat <[prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com](mailto:prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 01, 2019 11:56 AM  
**To:** Daguiard, Robert <[Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Allington, Adam <[aallington@bloombergenvironment.com](mailto:aallington@bloombergenvironment.com)>; Gibb, Steven <[sGibb@bloombergenvironment.com](mailto:sGibb@bloombergenvironment.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Revised questions for Alex and for staff: clarifying deadline for questions we've asked staff to submit

Morning Robert,



Message

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**From:** Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 5/6/2019 1:24:26 AM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: MIKE: Revised questions for Alex and for staff: clarifying deadline for questions we've asked staff to submit

Of course.

Sent from my iPhone

On May 5, 2019, at 9:23 PM, Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)> wrote:

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Cheers, R.

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**From:** Abboud, Michael  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 05, 2019 9:18 PM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: MIKE: Revised questions for Alex and for staff: clarifying deadline for questions we've asked staff to submit

Yes. I'll be over at Alex's office at 9:45.

Sent from my iPhone

On May 5, 2019, at 9:15 PM, Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)> wrote:

Mike, following up on Alex's interview with Pat Rizzuto and Adam Allington of BNV, now scheduled for 10 AM Monday in Alex's office. Alex met office directors last week and prepared extensively for the interview.

Per previous conversation, I assume you'll staff. I'll plan to get the reporters at the East Entrance on Constitution Avenue at 9:45 AM and have them wait outside Alex's office until she's ready.

Please advise and confirm.

Cheers, R.

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**Cc:** Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com>; Gibb, Steven <sgibb@bloombergenvironment.com>; Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Revised questions for Alex and for staff: clarifying deadline for questions we've asked staff to submit

Good afternoon Pat,

For attribution to the Agency, please. See you on Monday.

1. How many full time equivalent employees did OPPT have in June 2016 (or close to that month) before the Lautenberg Chemical Safety Act became law?

OPPT's FY 2016 FTE ceiling was 282.1.

2. How many do you have as of now (or most recent available figure)?

The FY 2019 FTE ceiling is 340.1. Note the FY 19 FTE ceiling is not directly comparable to the FY 2016 ceiling as the TRI program was reorganized from OEI to OPPT in FY 2017 with a shift of 24.6 FTE.

3. Can you break those OPPT staff down into rough areas of expertise e.g. chemists, risk assessors, economists, industrial hygienists?

Roughly half of OPPT consists of staff classified as generalists. These staff undertake a wide variety of tasks including administrative functions, internal project management and coordination, contracts management, regulatory development, and development, reviews and coordination of internal and external documents and work products.

The other half of OPPT staff are specialists. Approximately one third of these specialists are engineers, economists, IT specialists and a small number of attorneys. The remainder are in scientific fields of expertise, and are primarily engaged in developing and reviewing exposure modeling, and undertaking and managing risk assessment work.

4. Alex Dunn said OPPT was hiring. How many more people do you plan/hope to hire? What expertise are you seeking?

OPPT is undertaking a concerted and focused hiring effort to hire up to the FY 2019 FTE ceiling of 340.1. OPPT's senior leadership team completed several analyses and workforce planning exercises to identify and prioritize the most critical hiring needs to fill remaining slots. The majority of the critical hires are for scientific positions.

5. How many contractor firms are working with OPPT? What are their broad areas of support?





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**Subject:** FW: Sammie's news release attached embargoed until 5 pm Sunday  
**Attachments:** Sammies\_Finalists\_2019\_Social\_Media\_Toolkit.pdf; ATT00001.htm; 2019 Sammies finalists news release\_FINAL.pdf; ATT00002.htm

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**Cc:** "Jones, Marjorie" <Jones.Marjorie@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Congratulations on your selection as a 2019 Service to America finalist!

Hello again Will,

Onamé Thompson here, the Partnership for Public Service's press secretary. As promised, please find attached our press release, which we will be distributed nationwide this Sunday, May 5 at 6:00 p.m. EST to help kick off **Public Service Recognition Week** (May 5-11). Please note, the press release as well as all of the finalist names are under embargo until Sun., May 5 at 6:00 p.m. ET.

We encourage your agency's communications office to put out a news release/statement about your award and share the news internally with your colleagues and through your agency's social media channels. Please also feel free to pass along any news outlets that you would like us to get in touch with. In the meantime, attached is our **2019 Sammies Social Media Toolkit** – complete with important web links, handles, sample posts and our #Sammies2019 hashtag – that you are welcome and encouraged to use.

So far, a total of **six media personnel representing five different media outlets have RSVP'ed to attend/cover** this year's awards breakfast, with many more expected in the coming days. These outlets include *The New Yorker*, *CyberFeds*, *Federal News Network*, *Government Executive* and *The Federal Manager* magazine. Please note, I will be actively reaching out to many more media outlets throughout

the weeks/months ahead, to include your local papers, alma maters and other national outlets. I will circle back with you as interview requests come in.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me (or our social media associate, Meredith) at the contact info below.

Congratulations AGAIN on becoming a finalist this year and thank YOU for everything you do for our nation!

All the best,

Onamé and Meredith

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**Cc:** Jones, Marjorie <[Jones.Marjorie@epa.gov](mailto:Jones.Marjorie@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Partnership for Public Service and interview request from E&E News

He is ready for you anytime between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. tomorrow, as well as Friday – whichever works for you. He is super flexible and understands you are pretty busy tomorrow. Right now, he is ready for either window. If you have time tomorrow at 2 p.m. great but if you end up not having time... he can talk with you anytime on Friday.

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**Subject:** RE: Partnership for Public Service and interview request from E&E News

So is he expecting me to call tomorrow at 2:00?

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**Cc:** Jones, Marjorie <[Jones.Marjorie@epa.gov](mailto:Jones.Marjorie@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Partnership for Public Service and interview request from E&E News

FYI – I have confirmed with the Kevin at E&E News that your interview days/times work for him. When you phone him, please use his office line at 202-446-0401. Thanks!

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Good afternoon Will,

Thank you for circling back so quickly and for passing along the photo. I have given the reporter a heads up that you will be calling him tomorrow or Friday. Have a nice afternoon!

Onamé

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Hi Oname

Today and tomorrow are pretty busy. I could talk with him between 2:00-3:00 pm tomorrow, or anytime on Friday (I'd be calling from home on Friday).

I've attached a head-shot.

Will

**From:** Onamé Thompson <[OThompson@ourpublicservice.org](mailto:OThompson@ourpublicservice.org)>  
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**Subject:** Partnership for Public Service and interview request from E&E News

**Importance:** High

Good afternoon William,

My name is Onamé and I am the press secretary at the Partnership for Public Service. **Reporter Kevin Bogardus w/ E&E News** is writing a story about this year's *Service to America Medals* and has requested a phone interview with you about being named one of this year's finalists. As such, he would like to interview you anytime between now and close of business on Friday. **Might you be willing and available to chat with him?**

If so, Kevin can be reached via his office at 202-446-0401 or cell at 202-247-7844, and his interview questions are as follows: How long have you served in government? How old are you? What are you most proud of in your work? What impact has your work had? What was your reaction to being named a 2019 Sammies finalist? \*\*\*Additionally, if you have ANY headshots you wish to pass along to the reporter, please feel free to send them my way.\*\*\*\*

Last but not least, the reporter's story will NOT run until after 6 p.m. EST on Sunday, May 5. I will be sending you both an embargoed copy of our Sammies finalist press release and communications toolkit tomorrow (May 2) as it is still being finalized. Please stand by.

Thank you, hope to hear from you soon and if you have any questions please let me know.

Onamé

**Note.** This reporter also requested interviews with two other finalists.

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**Subject:** Close-hold: 10/3 announcement of WaterSense Partner Awards

Hi all,

As we work toward the October 3<sup>rd</sup> announcement of WaterSense Partner Awards, we want to share for internal planning purposes the list of winners that will be announced. Please do not share this information outside the agency.

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**Subject:** FW: PFOA

**Importance:** High

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**From:** Mears, Mary  
**Sent:** Monday, February 4, 2019 11:11 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** PFOA  
**Importance:** High

Hi Nancy, Robin and Andrea,

FYI see below related to PFOA and SOTU. We have also just got a media inquiry from NY Newsday asking for a response to a planned media event from Senator Schumer plans today. According to reporter, Senator Schumer will ask EPA to "reverse course on a likely imminent decision to not set drinking water standards for highly toxic chemicals already found on Long Island."

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**From:** Kluesner, Dave  
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**Subject:** this will be of interest to Pete  
**Importance:** High

ALBANY TIMES UNION

Hoosick Falls environmental advocate to attend State of the Union

February 3, 2019

Hoosick Falls resident Michael Hickey, who exposed toxic chemicals polluting water in his Rensselaer County village, will attend the State of the Union in Washington D.C. Tuesday as the guest of U.S. Rep. Antonio Delgado.

Hickey said he was honored and grateful to be joining Delgado.

"Putting a spotlight on the poisoning of residents of Hoosick Falls and Petersburg is exactly what we need to spur action on a local and national level," a statement to the Times Union read.

After the death of his father from cancer, Hickey began testing local water for contaminants. He discovered that a toxic chemical PFOA, emitted from factories nearby, polluted water supplies in and around the village of Hoosick Falls.



The Times Union **reported the discovery** in December 2015. The story also revealed that village and state officials downplayed the problem for more than a year and did not warn residents that the water was unsafe to drink, possibly to protect their efforts to revive the local economy.

Within a week of publication, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) demanded the village warn residents to stop drinking the water. Two months later, the state of New York declared the village would become a Superfund site designated for federally funded clean-up.

In 2016, Hickey **sued two companies** that operated the manufacturing plants which caused the contaminants. He and other Hoosick Falls residents, including mayor Rob Allen elected in 2017, have pushed for compensation and systemic change as the problem persists. A **recent survey** discovered rates of illnesses and cancer caused by pollution were higher than previously estimated.

Delgado, serving his first term as representative for the 19th Congressional District which includes Hoosick Falls, said the situation is **one of his top regional concerns**.

"I've seen personally the devastating effects that PFOA chemicals have had on our communities and on families like Michael Hickey's. He is a true hero in what he has done to spur action," a statement from the representative to the Times Union read. "I'm pleased he will join me for the State of the Union as we send a powerful message that this crisis cannot be ignored. I am committed to working with members on both sides of the aisle to take decisive steps to address water contamination. And I will be a strong voice urging the Administration to step up its efforts to protect the health and safety of communities in Upstate New York and across the country."

Last week, Delgado **sent a letter** to EPA's Acting Administrator Andrew Wheeler urging him to include a commitment to set maximum contaminant levels for the toxic chemicals PFOA and PFAS. Delgado's letter said that the agency's National Management Plan, overdue after a scheduled release in fall 2018, is rumored to not include a maximum level.

Delgado's guest will highlight the issue on a national stage. This year's State of the Union delivered by the President, an annual tradition, was delayed because of the longest shutdown in U.S. history. Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi refused to invite President Donald Trump to give the speech in the House but conceded after the shutdown was temporarily ended.

Every member of Congress can bring one guest to the event. The President and the Speaker of the House may invite up to 24 guests each in their designated boxes.

Congressman Paul Tonko is bringing Gene Karpinski, president of the League of Conservation Voters and a leading national voice for climate action and environmental advocacy.

Congresswoman Elise Stefanik invited Steve Bowman, an Air Force veteran from Plattsburgh, who is the director of the Clinton County Veterans Services Agency.

Hoosick Falls Mayor Rob Allen, who announced Hickey's invitation on Twitter Saturday, said two other advocates from PFAS contaminated communities will attend the State of the Union address Tuesday.

New Hampshire Senator Jeanne Shaheen invited Andrea Amico from grassroots group "Testing for Pease." According to the organization's website, Amico started advocacy after tests exposed water contamination on Pease Air National Guard Base near Portsmouth in 2014. She was personally affected: her husband was employed for a company on Pease for almost 9 years and both of her children attended daycare there since they were 12 weeks old.

Michigan U.S. Rep. Dan Kildee invited Cathy Wusterbarth. According to his office's press release, Wusterbarth is a resident of Oscoda that surrounds former Wurtsmith Air Force Base. PFAS chemicals from the base seeped into surrounding groundwater wells and pose a threat to drinking water sources in Oscoda and across the country.

Kildee's district also includes Flint, where tests in 2015 confirmed dangerous levels of lead in the town's drinking water.

Delgado told reporters a week after he took office that he is working with Kildee and other representatives of affected districts to champion for clean water.

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**Subject:** FW: Trump administration moves to limit states' CWA authority

Close hold – we are hearing that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) thanks ng

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**Trump administration moves to limit states' CWA authority**

By Annie Snider

02/05/2019 04:10 PM EDT

The Trump administration has moved to significantly cut the length of time states have to block energy infrastructure projects over concerns about their impact to water quality — potentially a first step in their effort to curtail states' authority over pipelines, coal terminals and other infrastructure projects.

In a December memo obtained by POLITICO, the political official overseeing the Army Corps of Engineers directed the agency to limit the length of time states have to approve or reject a Clean Water Act certifications to 60 days, except in special circumstances. The default had previously been one year.

"The one-year period set forth in the [Clean Water Act] sets forth the outer bounds of a time period on a decision by the state and should not be used as a default timeframe for a state's decision," Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works R.D. James wrote in the memo.

Under the Clean Water Act, states have the right to block federal permits or licenses that would result in harm to their water quality. Army Corps of Engineers dredge-and-fill permits —

required for virtually all major infrastructure projects — are one of the main triggers for these state reviews.

In recent years, some Democrat-led states have used the authority to block energy infrastructure projects. For instance, New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo denied a water quality certification in April 2016 to Constitution Pipeline Co. for a natural gas pipeline that would connect Pennsylvania's shale fields to New York — a decision that was upheld by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 2nd Circuit. And in September 2017, Washington state denied a certification to Millennium Bulk Terminals for a coal export terminal near Longview, Wash.

POLITICO reported last month that the Trump administration has been eyeing ways of boosting the energy industry by limiting states' ability to halt projects using the Clean Water Act authority. Shortening the length of time states have to consider applications is one option, but industry says that is only likely to lead to swifter denials by states if their authority under the law isn't also reined in.

To that end, congressional Republicans have introduced legislation to limit the factors states can consider when exercising their Clean Water Act authority, and administration officials have considered issuing EPA guidance that would attempt to do the same, although without the same force of law.

The efforts, however, are staunchly opposed by states that fiercely guard authority over their own waters, even coal-producing states like Wyoming that had a stake in seeing rejected energy projects like the Washington coal terminal move forward. A bipartisan group of Western governors wrote President Trump last week in a bid to squash the effort.

"We urge you to direct federal agencies to reject any changes to agency rules, guidance, or policy that may diminish, impair, or subordinate states' well-established sovereign and statutory authorities to protect water quality within their boundaries," wrote Govs. David Ige (D-Hawaii) and Doug Burgum (R-N.D.), who lead the Western Governors Association.

The policy change could go into effect soon at the Army Corps. The December memo directs the Corps to draft guidance for how to implement the change, which James' office said in a statement has been received and is currently being reviewed.

The memo also orders a separate set of changes in the Army Corps' dredge-and-fill permitting program, with James directing that permits should be issued to cover the length of time that it will take a project to be constructed; previously, permits typically did not last longer than 10 years.

"The expiration of a permit prior to the completion of the proposed activity may be inconsistent with our existing regulations and can cause undue hardship on permittees," the memo states.

James also directed the Corps to issue jurisdictional determinations, which lay out which streams and wetlands on a property are regulated under the Clean Water Act, that last for the same length of time as the permit, rather than the previous default of five years.

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Blue font reflects input I rec'd today from OW sr leadership regarding the proposed calendar and conveyed to the WOTUS team.

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Fyi .. think this is close hold thanks ng

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Nancy: FYI This is coming up. Let's discuss by phone this week.

Thank you!

John

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**To:** Ross, David P <[ross.davidp@epa.gov](mailto:ross.davidp@epa.gov)>; Bolen, Brittany <[bolen.brittany@epa.gov](mailto:bolen.brittany@epa.gov)>; Jackson, Ryan <[jackson.ryan@epa.gov](mailto:jackson.ryan@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Beach, Christopher <[beach.christopher@epa.gov](mailto:beach.christopher@epa.gov)>; Block, Molly <[block.molly@epa.gov](mailto:block.molly@epa.gov)>; Abboud, Michael <[abboud.michael@epa.gov](mailto:abboud.michael@epa.gov)>; Hewitt, James <[hewitt.james@epa.gov](mailto:hewitt.james@epa.gov)>; Bennett, Tate <[Bennett.Tate@epa.gov](mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov)>; Lyons, Troy <[lyons.troy@epa.gov](mailto:lyons.troy@epa.gov)>; Kunding, Kelly <[kunding.kelly@epa.gov](mailto:kunding.kelly@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** PFAS Comms Plan -- DRAFT / DELIBERATIVE

**Draft / Deliberative**

David and Team: Attached is the draft PFAS communications plan. I shared this with AAW over the weekend. Please take a look and provide feedback. Otherwise, we should begin the following work to start making this a reality:

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Target date for the press events Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Thank you!

John Konkus  
Environmental Protection Agency  
Deputy Associate Administrator for Public Affairs  
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**From:** Grantham, Nancy [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=12A3C2ED7158417FB0BB1B1B72A8CFB0-GRANTHAM, NANCY]  
**Sent:** 11/12/2018 2:07:47 PM  
**To:** Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Call in tonight

Will send

Sent from my iPhone

> On Nov 12, 2018, at 9:07 AM, Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov> wrote:  
>  
> Do you have it for me to listen in? Will keep a close hold.



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**Sent:** 10/2/2018 10:29:50 PM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]; Davis, Matthew [Davis.Matthew@epa.gov]; Haman, Patricia [Haman.Patricia@epa.gov]; Thundiyil, Karen [Thundiyil.Karen@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: IEPA release  
**Attachments:** Sec 43(a) Sterigenics to AG - Final.pdf

Fyi .. evidently there will be a community meeting coming up in the next couple of weeks – close hold – likely bill wehrum to attend.

Thanks ng

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**From:** Davis, Alison  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 02, 2018 3:29 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** IEPA release

Also ...

Example of law firm blog post:

<http://www.collinslaw.com/blog/2018/08/government-sides-with-sterigenics-over-ethylene-oxide-pollution-in-willowbrook.shtml>

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**Sent:** 10/9/2018 11:47:45 AM  
**To:** Thundiyil, Karen [Thundiyil.Karen@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Haman, Patricia [Haman.Patricia@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Davis, Matthew [Davis.Matthew@epa.gov]; Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: E15

Don't know yet .. will keep you all posted

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**From:** Thundiyil, Karen  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 09, 2018 7:47 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: E15

Will there be an EPA press release on this today or this week?

On Oct 9, 2018, at 5:36 AM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

Thx

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 9, 2018, at 5:25 AM, Thundiyil, Karen <[Thundiyil.Karen@epa.gov](mailto:Thundiyil.Karen@epa.gov)> wrote:

There's been a lot of coverage on today's expected announcement. Thank you.

On Oct 8, 2018, at 3:29 PM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

Close hold note embargo thx ng

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**Resent-From:** <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>  
**From:** "Konkus, John" <[konkus.john@epa.gov](mailto:konkus.john@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** October 8, 2018 at 2:58:00 PM EDT  
**To:** Eric Wolff <[ewolff@politico.com](mailto:ewolff@politico.com)>  
**Cc:** Press <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: E15

EPA's statement embargoed until 8:30pm:

“President Trump has made strengthening the Renewable Fuel Standard an important priority of this administration. He is fulfilling his promise by providing clear policy direction that will expand opportunities for our nation’s farmers, provide certainty to our refiners and bolster the United States’ role as a biofuels powerhouse. EPA will follow the president’s direction and proceed as expeditiously as practicable.” — EPA Spokesperson

John Konkus  
Environmental Protection Agency  
Deputy Associate Administrator  
Office of Public Affairs

On Oct 8, 2018, at 2:56 PM, Eric Wolff  
<[ewolff@politico.com](mailto:ewolff@politico.com)> wrote:

Hi,

Does EPA have a timeline for an E15 rule with the RVP waiver and RIn market reforms?

Are you expecting some kind of official letter or directive from the president, or has that already happened, and if so, in what form?

Will EPA be making any kind of announcement on this?

Thanks,

Eric

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Eric Wolff  
Energy Reporter  
POLITICO  
760-303-1927  
[ewolff@politico.com](mailto:ewolff@politico.com)  
@ericwolff

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=12A3C2ED7158417FB0BB1B1B72A8CFB0-GRANTHAM, NANCY]  
**Sent:** 10/12/2018 7:51:06 PM  
**To:** Widener, Charles (Chuck) [Widener.Charles@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Form submission from: Notice of Perceived Unaddressed Significant Public Health or Environmental Risk

Thx much - you made sure it was a success

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 12, 2018, at 3:50 PM, Widener, Charles (Chuck) <[Widener.Charles@epa.gov](mailto:Widener.Charles@epa.gov)> wrote:

Absolutely close hold. I removed the field. Please let me know if it is gone now or continues to show up.

I'm really glad this is project is working. Seems to be a success!

Chuck

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Friday, October 12, 2018 3:43 PM  
**To:** Widener, Charles (Chuck) <[Widener.Charles@epa.gov](mailto:Widener.Charles@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Form submission from: Notice of Perceived Unaddressed Significant Public Health or Environmental Risk

Obviously close hold thx ng

Sent from my iPhone

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**Sent:** 10/22/2018 7:08:45 PM  
**To:** Zito, Kelly [ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV]  
**Subject:** RE: Request for comment on political appointees' social media usage

Folks here have reached out to Mike Stoker and they are handling as a close hold. Thanks ng

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**From:** Zito, Kelly  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2018 2:34 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Request for comment on political appointees' social media usage

Can you share what you send with me?  
I need to alert the RA.

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2018 11:33 AM  
**To:** Zito, Kelly <[ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV](mailto:ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV)>  
**Subject:** Re: Request for comment on political appointees' social media usage

Yes

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 22, 2018, at 2:30 PM, Zito, Kelly <[ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV](mailto:ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV)> wrote:

Thanks.  
Is HQ responding?

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2018 11:15 AM  
**To:** Zito, Kelly <[ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV](mailto:ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Request for comment on political appointees' social media usage

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**Resent-From:** <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>  
**From:** Corbin Hiar <[chiar@eenews.net](mailto:chiar@eenews.net)>

**Date:** October 22, 2018 at 12:39:41 PM EDT

**To:** Press <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Request for comment on political appointees' social media usage

I'm reaching out today for a story we're planning to run in tomorrow's Greenwire about Trump administration officials' social media use.

In particular, does EPA have any comment on Regional Administrator Mike Stoker's Facebook posts casting doubt on climate science, disparaging Mexicans, blaming Hillary Clinton for her husband's affair, or repeatedly misquoting the founding fathers? We also plan to note that the Facebook and Twitter profiles of the air office's deputy assistant administrator include a photo of the bounty hunter from "Raising Arizona" moments after he blew up a rabbit.

The story is likely to touch on past social media troubles for the agency as well. With that in mind, is Derrick Bolen still working for EPA, as ProPublica records show?

Please get back to us with any responses by 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday.

Thanks, C

**Corbin Hiar**

E&E News Reporter

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Contact me securely via Signal, WhatsApp or corbin.hiar@protonmail.com

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**Sent:** 8/23/2018 1:10:03 PM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Levine, Carolyn [Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: Draft Roll Out for WLL ROD Signing 9.2018 rev2.docx  
**Attachments:** Draft Roll Out for WLL ROD Signing 9.2018 rev2.docx; ATT00001.htm

FYI - close hold

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Grantham, Nancy" <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** August 23, 2018 at 9:08:42 AM EDT  
**To:** "Konkus, John" <[konkus.john@epa.gov](mailto:konkus.john@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** "Grantham, Nancy" <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Draft Roll Out for WLL ROD Signing 9.2018 rev2.docx

John - FYI - per our discussion yesterday thx ng

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=12A3C2ED7158417FB0BB1B1B72A8CFB0-GRANTHAM, NANCY]  
**Sent:** 8/20/2018 2:20:19 PM  
**To:** DeLuca, Isabel [DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Davis, Matthew [Davis.Matthew@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: ACE rule comms

Thns .. will check in with john on the title issue – presume so

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**From:** DeLuca, Isabel  
**Sent:** Monday, August 20, 2018 10:19 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Davis, Matthew <Davis.Matthew@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** ACE rule comms

Hi all,

This is close hold because these are not final, but for your awareness, here are some comms materials on the Affordable Clean Energy (ACE) rule (CPP replacement rule).

I will send you the whole suite of fact sheets as soon as they are final, but wanted you to have something to review now.

Nancy – do you want to change the title in the press advisory to 

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Thanks,  
Isabel



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**Sent:** 6/14/2018 11:16:12 PM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: GKM Settlements Draft Desk Statement - Subject to OGC Mgmt Review

Yes

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 14, 2018, at 6:43 PM, Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov> wrote:

Thank you Nancy! Did you follow up with Kelly et al on an OGC POC?

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richardson.robinh@epa.gov

On Jun 14, 2018, at 6:25 PM, Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

Close hold please

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**From:** Holden, Allison  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 14, 2018 1:22 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Sisson, Ann <Sisson.Ann@epa.gov>; Talbert-Duarte, Angelia <talbert-duarte.angelia@epa.gov>; Redden, Kenneth <Redden.Kenneth@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** GKM Settlements Draft Desk Statement - Subject to OGC Mgmt Review

Hi Nancy,

Here is my first shot at a desk statement for the Gold King Mine settlement offers. **Please note that OGC management has not reviewed this and I will need to send anything to them for approval once it's closer to being done.** Note that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) I know you will have edits to this so I wanted to send to you first. Thanks!

-----Draft Desk Statement-----

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Allison Holden  
Attorney-Advisor  
Civil Rights and Finance Law Office  
Office of General Counsel  
Environmental Protection Agency  
(202) 564-3841

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**Sent:** 7/18/2018 12:48:22 PM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Thundiyil, Karen [Thundiyil.Karen@epa.gov]; Davis, Matthew [Davis.Matthew@epa.gov]; Haman, Patricia [Haman.Patricia@epa.gov]; Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: FINAL: EPA Finalizes Last 2015 Ozone Designations for 8 Counties in Texas - Preview

Fyi .. close hold thanks ng

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**From:** Block, Molly  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 18, 2018 8:12 AM  
**To:** Taheri, Diane <Taheri.Diane@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FINAL: EPA Finalizes Last 2015 Ozone Designations for 8 Counties in Texas - Preview

We plan on sending this out at 12:30 EST. Let's make sure they go out from both HQ and the Region at the same time.  
Thanks!

Molly

## **EPA Finalizes Last 2015 Ozone Designations for 8 Counties in Texas**

### *This Action Completes Designations Process for 2015 Ozone Standard*

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**WASHINGTON** (July 18, 2018) — On July 17, 2018, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) completed area designations for the 2015 ozone standards by designating eight counties in the San Antonio, Texas metropolitan area. EPA has designated seven of the eight counties in the San Antonio area, including Atascosa, Bandera, Comal, Guadalupe, Kendall, Medina, and Wilson, as attainment/unclassifiable for the 2015 standard. Based on data from EPA-approved air quality monitors, EPA has designated Bexar County as nonattainment. These designations will take effect 60 days after the notice summarizing this action is published in the *Federal Register*.

**“We look forward to supporting Texas as they work to improve air quality and foster economic opportunity,”** said Acting Administrator Andrew Wheeler. **“Information provided by the state indicates that the San Antonio area is on the path toward attainment, and we expect Bexar County will be able to demonstrate that it meets the standard well in advance of the attainment date in 2021. Analysis from Texas about the role of international emissions, including from Mexico, and the pending closure of a coal-fired power plant in Bexar County will help ensure that implementation of this standard has minimal burdens on economic development.”**

Overall, the U.S. has experienced dramatic progress for ozone and other air pollutants and we expect these trends to continue in San Antonio and Texas. Compared to designations issued in 2012 for the 2008 standards, there are more than 10 percent fewer counties being designated “nonattainment” for the more stringent 2015 standard. National average ozone concentrations dropped by 13 percent from 2007 to 2016, and its precursor emissions have also plummeted over the last decade (U.S. emissions of volatile organic compounds dropped by more than 15 percent from 2007 to 2016, and nitrogen oxide emissions were down 40 percent over the same period).

EPA has developed and will be announcing a number of tools to minimize disruption for nonattainment areas and facilitate demonstrations that these areas meet the standard by the attainment dates:

- Later this year, EPA will finalize its implementation and state plan requirements rule for the 2015 ozone standard. Consistent with the President’s [April 2018 memorandum on Promoting Domestic Manufacturing and Job Creation—Policies and Procedures Relating to Implementation of Air Quality Standards](#), we anticipate that this rule will facilitate flexible regulatory tools to address permitting requirements and international emissions in these areas.
- Pursuant to Section 319B of the Clean Air Act, EPA is releasing and communicating a number of tools related to the exclusion of data for “exceptional events” outside the control of state, local, or tribal air agencies. Since 2016, EPA has acted upon more than 20 “exceptional event” demonstrations, nearly all of which concurred with state recommendations and thus provided the state with regulatory relief.
- The Agency also acknowledges the role played by background and international ozone concentrations that are outside the control of state and tribal air agencies. EPA is committed to maximizing flexibility for other tools for regulatory relief, including Clean Air Act provisions to address emissions caused by international sources.
- As outlined in the Agency’s FY2018-2022 Strategic Plan and elsewhere, EPA is committed to timely processing of preconstruction permits, state implementation plans, and other relevant demonstrations.

## **Background**

The Clean Air Act directs that ozone nonattainment areas will be classified based on the severity of the air quality problem at the time of designation. The Bexar County nonattainment area is classified as a “Marginal” nonattainment area. Marginal nonattainment areas are those closest to meeting the standard and, as a result, have few mandatory planning and control requirements. These areas are expected to attain the standard as quickly as possible but no later than three years after this designation becomes effective.

Additional information: <https://www.epa.gov/ozone-designations>

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**Sent:** 8/28/2018 12:44:46 PM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Vizian, Donna [Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]; McIlwain, Serena [McIlwain.Serena@epa.gov]; Pirzadeh, Michelle [Pirzadeh.Michelle@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: realignment

Thanks

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**From:** Richardson, RobinH  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 28, 2018 8:44 AM  
**To:** Vizian, Donna <Vizian.Donna@epa.gov>; McIlwain, Serena <McIlwain.Serena@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Pirzadeh, Michelle <Pirzadeh.Michelle@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: realignment

Hi! Caught Henry...poor guy, I pounced...he's good with the DRA call, said he'd call Serena to follow up, and stressed this is to plan to make public, so close hold as we plan. Best, Robin

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[richardson.robinh@epa.gov](mailto:richardson.robinh@epa.gov)

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**From:** Vizian, Donna  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 28, 2018 8:24 AM  
**To:** McIlwain, Serena <McIlwain.Serena@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Pirzadeh, Michelle <Pirzadeh.Michelle@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: realignment

Ok, thanks. I checked in with Robin last night and she did not have the opportunity to speak with him yet.

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**From:** McIlwain, Serena  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 28, 2018 8:22 AM  
**To:** Vizian, Donna <Vizian.Donna@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Pirzadeh, Michelle <Pirzadeh.Michelle@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: realignment

Hi Donna: The conversation regarding 

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 happened without my attendance. Let's bring it up with Henry when we meet with him. Also, he did not call me yesterday so I am wondering if Robin was able to speak with him?

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**From:** Vizian, Donna

**Sent:** Monday, August 27, 2018 5:48 PM

**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; McIlwain, Serena <McIlwain.Serena@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Pirzadeh, Michelle <Pirzadeh.Michelle@epa.gov>

**Subject:** realignment

Hi Everyone,

Attached is the original document that was the result of the Chicago meeting. The second is similar. I turned it into a **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** Changes/comment welcome. If you can get them to me by 3:00 tomorrow and Can make adjustments before the meeting.

Serena – I am really confused by **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** Can you shed some light on it?

thanks

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**Sent:** 4/30/2018 3:04:34 PM  
**To:** Mylott, Richard [Mylott.Richard@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Mutter, Andrew [mutter.andrew@epa.gov]; Zito, Kelly [ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV]; Holsman, Marianne [Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov]; Skadowski, Suzanne [Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov]; Mogharabi, Nahal [MOGHARABI.NAHAL@EPA.GOV]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]; Lyons, Troy [lyons.troy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Targeted Airshed Grants

Per John Konkus .. yes ..as long as close hold – also, looping OCIR as they just me John k and the air folks.

Thanks ng

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**From:** Mylott, Richard  
**Sent:** Monday, April 30, 2018 11:02 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>; Zito, Kelly <ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV>; Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>; Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov>; Mogharabi, Nahal <MOGHARABI.NAHAL@EPA.GOV>  
**Subject:** Re: Targeted Airshed Grants

Thanks Nancy. Can we share the attached draft —and ask to hold close — as we reach out to mayors offices for their quotes? They will want context.

Rich

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 30, 2018, at 8:59 AM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

Fyi .. For Wednesday, there will be a national release and then releases in 8, 9 and 10 – we will have an Administrator quote for you soon.

Thanks ng

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**From:** Millett, John  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 26, 2018 1:08 PM



**To:** Bowles, Jack <Bowles.Jack@epa.gov>; Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>; Zito, Kelly <ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV>; Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Cory, Preston (Katherine) <Cory.Preston@epa.gov>; Hannon, Arnita <Hannon.Arnita@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Targeted Airshed Grants

Thanks Jack – I shared this draft template release earlier w/ Rich M in R8; Niloufar in R9; and Suzanne in R10.

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**From:** Bowles, Jack  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 26, 2018 1:03 PM  
**To:** Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>; Zito, Kelly <ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV>; Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Cory, Preston (Katherine) <Cory.Preston@epa.gov>; Hannon, Arnita <Hannon.Arnita@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Targeted Airshed Grants

Hi Regions 8-9-10:

I understand John Millett has already reached out to you on the targeted airshed grants, on track for May 1. We've been asked to seek quotes from the governors and mayors of recipient states/localities. Are y'all able to follow-up with your mayors' offices? If not we can pursue from here. Preston is reaching out to Governors' offices. The attachment gives a brief summary of each grant, starting on page 7.

Thank you.

Best,  
Jack

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=12A3C2ED7158417FB0BB1B1B72A8CFB0-GRANTHAM, NANCY]  
**Sent:** 8/28/2018 10:57:13 AM  
**To:** Pucci, Liz [Pucci.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** can you call when you get in? have a close hold - time sensitive request -- also .. talked with ord thanks ng

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**Sent:** 8/8/2018 4:03:10 PM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Kaiser, Sven-Erik [Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: FOR REVIEW: Asbestos Fact Sheet Final

FYI .. close hold – making sure that ocir is aware to the media flurry on the Asbestos SNUR that was issued on June 1. Nancy Beck and Charlotte Bertrand are doing a lot of telephone interviews and we will be issuing the fact sheet below – not final yet.

Here is the current press statement. Please stand by. Thanks ng

“The press reports on this issue are inaccurate. Without the proposed Significant New Use Rule (SNUR) EPA would not have a regulatory basis to restrict manufacturing and processing for new asbestos uses. The EPA action will prohibit companies from manufacturing, importing, or processing for new uses of asbestos covered by the rule unless they receive approval from EPA.” – EPA spokesman

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**From:** Anderson, Steve  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 08, 2018 11:44 AM  
**To:** Bertrand, Charlotte <Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov>; Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>; Beck, Nancy <Beck.Nancy@epa.gov>; Baptist, Erik <Baptist.Erik@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Grant, Brian <Grant.Brian@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: FOR REVIEW: Asbestos Fact Sheet Final

A couple suggested edits:

– some edits to **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**  
– I would still recommend saying **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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– I also **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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Steve Anderson | 202.564.3137  
Attorney-Advisor | Pesticides and Toxic Substances Law Office  
U.S. EPA Office of General Counsel | anderson.steve@epa.gov

**From:** Bertrand, Charlotte  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 08, 2018 11:28 AM  
**To:** Beach, Christopher <[beach.christopher@epa.gov](mailto:beach.christopher@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Anderson, Steve <[Anderson.Steve@epa.gov](mailto:Anderson.Steve@epa.gov)>; Strauss, Linda <[Strauss.Linda@epa.gov](mailto:Strauss.Linda@epa.gov)>; Beck, Nancy <[Beck.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Beck.Nancy@epa.gov)>; Baptist, Erik <[Baptist.Erik@epa.gov](mailto:Baptist.Erik@epa.gov)>; Dunton, Cheryl <[Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov](mailto:Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov)>; Grant, Brian <[Grant.Brian@epa.gov](mailto:Grant.Brian@epa.gov)>; Hewitt, James <[hewitt.james@epa.gov](mailto:hewitt.james@epa.gov)>; Abboud, Michael <[abboud.michael@epa.gov](mailto:abboud.michael@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: FOR REVIEW: Asbestos Fact Sheet Final

Let's add to the import Q

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On Aug 8, 2018, at 11:11 AM, Beach, Christopher <[beach.christopher@epa.gov](mailto:beach.christopher@epa.gov)> wrote:

All, here's the final version of the fact sheet with edits incorporated and some lists and a table that we worked on with Nancy. Please review; we'd like to get this out asap. There is one new addition highlighted for extra attention. Thanks all!

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**Sent:** 7/3/2018 2:40:45 PM  
**To:** Haman, Patricia [Haman.Patricia@epa.gov]; Thundiyil, Karen [Thundiyil.Karen@epa.gov]; Davis, Alison [Davis.Alison@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: Gliders

Fyi .. please close hold

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 03, 2018 10:37 AM  
**To:** Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Gliders

John Millett just called – 

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 – we should be getting something soon. Thanks ng

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**From:** Millett, John  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 03, 2018 9:08 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Gliders

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 Bill just mentioned. Learning more soon. Keep you posted.

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On Jul 2, 2018, at 1:09 PM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

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**Sent:** 6/21/2018 8:05:38 PM  
**CC:** Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]; Haman, Patricia [Haman.Patricia@epa.gov]; Thundiyil, Karen [Thundiyil.Karen@epa.gov]; Davis, Matthew [Davis.Matthew@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: Draft Sterigenics news release  
**Attachments:** 2018 June 21 Region 5 EtO Briefing.docx; Ethylene Oxide Short Term Air Monitoring Results Briefing 06202018.pptx

Fyi .. RA cathy stepp called Troy about this today.

This is very close hold .. will keep you posted.

Thanks ng

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**From:** Kelley, Jeff  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 21, 2018 10:16 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Rowan, Anne <rowan.anne@epa.gov>; Singer, Joshua <Singer.Joshua@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Draft Sterigenics news release

Nancy, here is a draft of the news release we've prepared ... this has been reviewed by our Air folks and by Cathy. Also attached is a briefing document that our Air folks prepared.

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**Jeff Kelley**

*Director, Office of External Communications*

*U.S. EPA Region 5*

*ph: 312-353-1159*

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**Sent:** 4/27/2018 6:56:35 PM  
**To:** Regional Public Affairs Directors [Regional\_Public\_Affairs\_Directors@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Levine, Carolyn [Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov]; Snyder, Raquel [Snyder.Raquel@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: embargoed EWDJT selected applicants list

FYI .. close hold – we will talking about timing next week.

Thanks ng

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**From:** Taylor, Trish  
**Sent:** Friday, April 27, 2018 12:13 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Lowery, Brigid <Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov>; Benjamin, Kent <Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: embargoed EWDJT selected applicants list

Hi Nancy,

Per your request, below is the embargoed list of the 17 selected applicants for the this year's job training grants.

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Thanks,  
Trish

Trish Taylor, Office of Communications, Partnerships and Analysis (OCPA)  
U.S. EPA, Office of Land and Emergency Management (OLEM)  
WJC West, RM 3137  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20460  
(202) 566-2615  
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OLEM is on Twitter at [@EPALand](https://twitter.com/EPALand)

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**Sent:** 7/2/2018 11:22:15 AM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: Region 4 Administrator Trey Glenn

Can you call me re: this when you get in? thanks ng

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**From:** Konkus, John  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 01, 2018 7:51 PM  
**To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Ashbee, Blake <ashbee.blake@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Region 4 Administrator Trey Glenn

Working w/ R4 on a response. Thank you.

On Jul 1, 2018, at 7:49 PM, Sean Reilly <[sreilly@eenews.net](mailto:sreilly@eenews.net)> wrote:

Hi folks:

I'm working on a story for tomorrow on newly released court records which indicate that Mr. Glenn, then in the private sector, provided extensive services to a 2014-2015 advocacy campaign run by a partner in the Balch & Bingham law firm who, along with two other participants, is now on trial in Birmingham, Ala. on federal criminal charges related to that campaign. I have no indication that Mr. Glenn has been charged, but am attempting to determine whether he has been notified that he could be called as a witness in the trial and/or has been notified that he is the target of an investigation.

In the meantime, two questions:

- 1) Has Mr. Glenn informed the relevant EPA officials of his work for Balch & Bingham in a matter that is now the subject of federal criminal proceedings? If so, who are those officials?
- 2) Given Mr. Pruitt's emphasis on the rule of law, does he retain full confidence in Mr. Glenn's capacity to fully and faithfully discharge his duties as Region 4 administrator? If so, why? If not, why not, and (apart from the recusals that Mr. Glenn has already agreed to), have Mr. Pruitt or

other EPA officials taken any steps to provide additional oversight of Mr. Glenn and/or restrict in some way his activities as Region 4 administrator?

My deadline is 11:30 tomorrow morning. I need on-the-record, for-attribution responses if we're going to use them.

Thanks very much,  
Sean

Sean Reilly  
Reporter  
E&E News  
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**Sent:** 4/23/2018 3:04:33 PM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Haman, Patricia [Haman.Patricia@epa.gov]; Thundiyil, Karen [Thundiyil.Karen@epa.gov]; Davis, Matthew [Davis.Matthew@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: Biomass Policy  
**Attachments:** Biomass policy statement\_FINAL 2018 04 22.docx; ATT00001.htm

All – see below - -happening today at 11 – close hold thanks ng

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**Sent:** Monday, April 23, 2018 9:49 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Biomass Policy

Attached.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "DeLuca, Isabel" <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>  
**Date:** April 23, 2018 at 8:47:58 AM EDT  
**To:** "Grantham, Nancy" <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>, "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** "Millett, John" <Millett.John@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Biomass Policy

FYI-I'll send the link within the next hour.

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Gunasekara, Mandy" <Gunasekara.Mandy@epa.gov>  
**Date:** April 22, 2018 at 4:02:51 PM EDT  
**To:** "Millett, John" <Millett.John@epa.gov>, "DeLuca, Isabel" <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** "Wehrum, Bill" <Wehrum.Bill@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Biomass Policy

Hi John and Isabel,

The Administrator will be announcing the agency's policy on treatment of biomass from managed forests as carbon neutral tomorrow morning. I've attached the final version. Can we get this teed up for web publication. I think around 11 am, but will need to confirm with the team that will be with him tomorrow. I am looping in Kelsi and Liz who are running point in OPA.

Thanks,  
Mandy

**Mandy M. Gunasekara**  
Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator  
Office of Air and Radiation  
US Environmental Protection Agency

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**Sent:** 4/23/2018 2:33:53 PM  
**To:** Hubbard, Carolyn [Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: did you send me something on the honest act -- indicating close hold? now i can't find it -- what are you hearing in terms of timing thanks ng

Calling you now .. have a question .. c

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**From:** Hubbard, Carolyn  
**Sent:** Monday, April 23, 2018 10:29 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: did you send me something on the honest act -- indicating close hold? now i can't find it -- what are you hearing in terms of timing thanks ng

Hi- apparently 

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 So I suggest checking with him or maybe Liz? They are leading the charge.

Carolyn Hubbard  
Communications Director  
EPA Office of Research and Development  
202-564-2189  

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Monday, April 23, 2018 10:19 AM  
**To:** Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: did you send me something on the honest act -- indicating close hold? now i can't find it -- what are you hearing in terms of timing thanks ng

I think it was in greenwire I saw it .. will send .. also .. timing?

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**From:** Hubbard, Carolyn  
**Sent:** Monday, April 23, 2018 9:51 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: did you send me something on the honest act -- indicating close hold? now i can't find it -- what are you hearing in terms of timing thanks ng



No I didn't send anything. I don't have a good sense for timing, but I did just learn that

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy

**Sent:** Monday, April 23, 2018 9:34 AM

**To:** Hubbard, Carolyn <[Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov](mailto:Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** did you send me something on the honest act -- indicating close hold? now i can't find it -- what are you hearing in terms of timing thanks ng

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**Sent:** 3/28/2018 9:43:03 PM  
**To:** DeLuca, Isabel [DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Sylvan, Stephan [Sylvan.Stephan@epa.gov]; Clarke, Deirdre [clarke.deirdre@epa.gov]; Millett, John [Millett.John@epa.gov]; Welderufael, Miriam [welderufael.miriam@epa.gov]; Stevens, Katherine [stevens.katherine@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: 2018 ENERGY STAR POY materials for regional PADs

Thanks much - -will share with pads

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**From:** DeLuca, Isabel  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 28, 2018 5:40 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Sylvan, Stephan <Sylvan.Stephan@epa.gov>; Clarke, Deirdre <clarke.deirdre@epa.gov>; Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>; Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; Stevens, Katherine <stevens.katherine@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: 2018 ENERGY STAR POY materials for regional PADs

Thanks, Stephan! Adding Nancy so she can forward the profiles document (+ final drafts of everything) to the regional PADs.

Adding John, Miriam, and Kati, so they're up-to-speed, since I'll be out tomorrow through Monday, returning Tuesday.

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**From:** Sylvan, Stephan  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 28, 2018 5:27 PM  
**To:** DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; Clarke, Deirdre <clarke.deirdre@epa.gov>; Montoro, Marta <Montoro.Marta@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** 2018 ENERGY STAR POY materials for regional PADs

Hi Isabel,

As discussed, I am attaching four items to help regional PADs with ENERGY STAR POY (Partner of the Year) amplification, all with a 9:30 AM 4-2-18 embargo:

- EPA HQ approved press release
- EPA HQ approved social media
- ENERGY STAR POY winner profiles in leadership
- Spreadsheet listing the POY winners by state and region

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Stephan

Stephan D. Sylvan  
Climate Protection Partnerships Division  
U.S. EPA

Office: 202 566 2232

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**Sent:** 3/14/2018 3:23:38 PM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: RQs Comms Plan

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Grantham, Nancy has shared a OneDrive for Business file with you. To view it, click the link below.

 RQs Communications Plan.docx

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Close hold for now thanks ng

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**From:** Thomas, Latosha  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 14, 2018 11:21 AM  
**To:** Taylor, Trish <Taylor.Trish@epa.gov>; Gioffre, Patricia <Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov>; Jennings, Kim <Jennings.Kim@epa.gov>; Subramanian, Hema <Subramanian.Hema@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Hyman Moore, Julie <Hyman.Julie@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RQs Comms Plan

Hi,

Here's a draft of the RQs comms plan. Please let me know if you have any comments by **tomorrow 12PM**. This needs to move very, very quickly. Thanks!

Latosha Thomas  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
OLEM/OEM/RMD  
(202) 564-2621 (desk)  

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[thomas.latosha@epa.gov](mailto:thomas.latosha@epa.gov)

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**Sent:** 4/11/2018 5:54:02 PM  
**To:** Daguiard, Robert [Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (S. Carignan) - National Academies' IRIS report - 4/11

Will another chain on same topic - Liz said hold fyi

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 11, 2018, at 1:37 PM, Daguiard, Robert <[Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov)> wrote:

Good to send? The reporter now says she can accept our response until 3 PM.

Robert Daguiard  
U.S. EPA  
Office of Media Relations  
Washington D.C.  

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 (M)  
202-564-6618 (O)

On Apr 11, 2018, at 12:00 PM, Daguiard, Robert <[Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov)> wrote:

#### SUMMARY

The report is under embargo until its 3 PM release, and the program has not yet received a copy, but program staff got a courtesy briefing this morning. The program has a statement. Sylvia Carignan – Bloomberg Environment - [scarignan@bloombergenvironment.com](mailto:scarignan@bloombergenvironment.com)

#### RESPONSE

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Background:

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Cheers, R.

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**From:** Carignan, Sylvia [<mailto:scarignan@bloombergenvironment.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 10:40 AM  
**To:** Press <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** National Academies' IRIS report

Hi all,

Hope you're having a good week. I'm taking a look at the National Academies' new report on the IRIS program this morning. Did EPA receive a draft of this report before its publication today? If so, would the agency like to comment on the National Academies' findings?

My deadline is 1 p.m. today.

Best,  
Sylvia

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**Sylvia Carignan**  
Reporter, Superfund and Waste

**Bloomberg BNA**  
1801 S Bell St, Arlington VA 22202

Direct 703-341-3708  
[scarignan@bloombergenvironment.com](mailto:scarignan@bloombergenvironment.com)

Message

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=12A3C2ED7158417FB0BB1B1B72A8CFB0-GRANTHAM, NANCY]  
**Sent:** 1/24/2018 1:02:55 PM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats

Please loop region 1 thanks ng

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**US Environmental Protection Agency**  
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**From:** Daguillard, Robert  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 24, 2018 8:00 AM  
**To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats

On it.

**From:** Rocheleau, Matthew [mailto:matthew.rocheleau@globe.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 24, 2018 7:11 AM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats

Hi Robert,

Hope all is well.

Wondering if the EPA can provide any update on the status of what's been approved by the EPA in terms of using dry ice for rat/rodent control.

The City of Boston tells me they've sought both EPA and state approval (I'm checking with state officials about this too) to use their own dry ice product, but have grown frustrated with how long the process has taken and aren't sure what's holding it up, particularly since they've heard other cities/states appear to have gotten approval to use dry ice for rat/rodent control. Also they say they believe the Bell Laboratories product that was approved is nothing more than regular dry ice and they don't want to use that product because of concerns that if Bell is the only one with an approved product they can mark up the price.

-So can anyone there say where the City of Boston's application to use their own dry ice stands? And why is it taking so long?

-Have other cities / states gotten approval to use dry ice (other than the Bell Laboratories product) for rodent control and if so why have they gotten approval but not Boston?

-If Bell Laboratories product is still the only one approved, why is that and does the EPA have any concerns about one company basically having a monopoly?

-Have any dry ice for rodent control applications been denied by the EPA?

Let me know what you think when you have a chance. Any info by end of the day Friday would be great, but let me know if you think it will take longer than that and I can probably get more time.

Thanks!

Best,  
-Matt

On Wed, Jul 19, 2017 at 1:07 PM, Matthew Rocheleau <[matthew.rocheleau@globe.com](mailto:matthew.rocheleau@globe.com)> wrote:

Great thank you so much!

On Wed, Jul 19, 2017 at 10:43 AM Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)> wrote:

Matt, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

The Bell Laboratories' dry ice product called "Rat Ice," is currently the only EPA-registered dry-ice product for use to control rats. After EPA registers a pesticide product, it must also satisfy the state's registration requirements to market it in that state. Once a state has approved registration of the product within the state, consumers or municipalities must purchase the registered product and use the registered product according to the product label.

Rat Ice is a formulated pesticide product. Under the pesticide law, the formulation details are confidential business information and protected from disclosure, but, at the very least, the registered product would have detailed use instructions and precautions.

Cities may only use the registered product.

EPA has had informal discussions with representatives of the city of Boston about the possibility of Boston registering its own dry ice product for rodent control. However, thus far EPA has not received any application from the city of Boston or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The registrant of Rat Ice has submitted their application for state registration to Massachusetts. It has not been approved yet.

Background: FIFRA requires that before a product can be marketed for the control of a pest, it must be registered by EPA. EPA registers pesticides based on scientific data and other information sufficient for the agency to conclude that it can perform its intended function without posing unreasonable risks to people or the environment. Each registered pesticide product must have EPA-approved labeling, which includes detailed instructions and precautions. Use of a pesticide product in a manner contrary to the approved labeling is against the law.

Thanks, R.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rocheleau, Matthew [mailto:[matthew.rocheleau@globe.com](mailto:matthew.rocheleau@globe.com)]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 11:22 AM  
To: Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)>  
Subject: Re: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats

Great Thank you!

On Tue, Jul 18, 2017 at 11:07 AM, Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)> wrote:  
> OK. thanks. I'll keep you posted.

>  
>> On Jul 18, 2017, at 10:51 AM, Rocheleau, Matthew <[matthew.rocheleau@globe.com](mailto:matthew.rocheleau@globe.com)> wrote:  
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>> Hoping to get into by the end of the day today, if possible 5pm.

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>> But if that's no do-able the deadline can be extended. Just let me  
>> know

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>> Thanks!

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>> Best,  
>> -Matt

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>> On Tue, Jul 18, 2017 at 10:20 AM, Daguillard, Robert  
>> <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)> wrote:  
>>> Good morning Matthew - and thanks to Dave for forwarding.

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>>> What's your firm deadline and when are you hoping to publish, please?

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>>> Thanks, R.

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>>> From: Rocheleau, Matthew [mailto:[matthew.rocheleau@globe.com](mailto:matthew.rocheleau@globe.com)]  
>>> Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 10:10 AM  
>>> To: Deegan, Dave <[Deegan.Dave@epa.gov](mailto:Deegan.Dave@epa.gov)>

>>>> Cc: Press <[Press@epa.gov](mailto:Press@epa.gov)>; Valentine, Julia  
>>>> <[Valentine.Julia@epa.gov](mailto:Valentine.Julia@epa.gov)>; Strauss, Linda <[Strauss.Linda@epa.gov](mailto:Strauss.Linda@epa.gov)>;  
>>>> regionalpress <[regionalpress@epa.gov](mailto:regionalpress@epa.gov)>; Gutro, Doug  
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>>>> Emily <[Bender.Emily@epa.gov](mailto:Bender.Emily@epa.gov)>  
>>>> Subject: Re: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats  
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>>>> Great. thank you!  
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>>>>> On Tue, Jul 18, 2017 at 10:09 AM, Deegan, Dave <[Deegan.Dave@epa.gov](mailto:Deegan.Dave@epa.gov)> wrote:  
>>>>> Hi Matt,  
>>>>>  
>>>>> I'm forwarding your inquiry to my colleagues in EPA HQ who work closely with EPA's Office of  
Pesticide Programs. They are the best place to answer your questions.  
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>>>>> Thanks!  
>>>>> Dave  
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>>>>> Dave Deegan  
>>>>> U.S. EPA, New England Regional Office Media Relations | Social  
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>>>>> phone: [617.918.1017](tel:617.918.1017) | mobile: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)  
>>>>> email: [deegan.dave@epa.gov](mailto:deegan.dave@epa.gov)  
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>>>>> -----Original Message-----  
>>>>> From: Rocheleau, Matthew [<mailto:matthew.rocheleau@globe.com>]  
>>>>> Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 9:25 AM  
>>>>> To: Bender, Emily <[Bender.Emily@epa.gov](mailto:Bender.Emily@epa.gov)>  
>>>>> Cc: Gutro, Doug <[Gutro.Doug@epa.gov](mailto:Gutro.Doug@epa.gov)>; Deegan, Dave  
>>>>> <[Deegan.Dave@epa.gov](mailto:Deegan.Dave@epa.gov)>; Mears, Mary <[Mears.Mary@epa.gov](mailto:Mears.Mary@epa.gov)>  
>>>>> Subject: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats  
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>>>>> Hi everyone,  
>>>>>  
>>>>> Hope all is well.  
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>>>>> This topic is back on my radar as I saw this NYT piece the other  
>>>>> day that mentions the EPA recently approved use of dry ice to kill  
>>>>> rats --  
>>>>> <https://mobile.nytimes.com/2017/07/12/nyregion/new-york-city-rat-pr>  
>>>>> obl  
>>>>> em.html?referer=  
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>>>>> --I take the Times story to mean that cities are now free to use dry ice to kill rats as long as they use this  
EPA-approved "Rat Ice"  
>>>>> product from Bell Laboratories. Is that right? (Or are there other steps cities must take with the EPA  
before they can use it?) --Is there anything special about "Rat Ice" that makes it different from standard/other  
types of dry ice?  
>>>>> --Are cities now also allowed to use dry ice from other companies/suppliers besides Bell Laboratories?  
Or would that require any additional steps/approval process?

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>>>> City officials in Boston told me they plan to apply in the next few days to be able to use dry ice to kill rats and they expect to try to apply to be able to use dry ice from any company, not just the "Rat Ice" product from Bell Laboratories.

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>>>> If anyone is available to speak about this more, please let me know.

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>>>> Thanks!

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>>>> Best,

>>>> -Matt

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>>>>> On Tue, Jan 3, 2017 at 12:14 PM, Bender, Emily <[Bender.Emily@epa.gov](mailto:Bender.Emily@epa.gov)> wrote:

>>>>> Hi Matt,

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>>>>> As a follow to your story on the use of dry ice for rodent control  
>>>>> in the City of Boston, please accept the following statement of clarification.

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>>>>> "EPA has not ordered the City of Boston to stop using dry ice to  
>>>>> control rodents. We have informed the city that registration of  
>>>>> dry ice is appropriate if the intent is to kill rodents. We are  
>>>>> working with the city to ensure that further use of dry ice is not only properly registered but  
>>>>> safe and effective." Jim Jones, Assistant Administrator, EPA's Office of  
>>>>> Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention.

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>>>>> Thanks so much

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>>>>> Emily

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>>>>> Emily Bender

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**Sent:** 4/20/2018 5:11:26 PM  
**To:** Mears, Mary [Mears.Mary@epa.gov]; Kluesner, Dave [kluesner.dave@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: UPDATE FW: please clarify with your brownfields coordinators that calls with PADs to new recipients to get quotes can happen anytime now  
**Attachments:** revised FY18 ARC Comms Strategy\_4 13 18\_ (002).docx

Fyi

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**From:** Lowery, Brigid  
**Sent:** Friday, April 20, 2018 1:07 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Taylor, Trish <Taylor.Trish@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** UPDATE FW: please clarify with your brownfields coordinators that calls with PADs to new recipients to get quotes can happen anytime now

FYI – BF said 

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**From:** Lowery, Brigid  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2018 6:15 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Benjamin, Kent <Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov>; Taylor, Trish <Taylor.Trish@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: please clarify with your brownfields coordinators that calls with PADs to new recipients to get quotes can happen anytime now

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**From:** Lowery, Brigid  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2018 6:14 PM  
**To:** Lloyd, David <Lloyd.DavidR@epa.gov>; Overmeyer, Patricia <Overmeyer.Patricia@epa.gov>; Storm, Aimee <storm.aimee@epa.gov>; Sutton, Amanda <Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov>; Minor-Gordon, Jerry <Minor-Gordon.Jerry@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Benjamin, Kent <Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov>; Taylor, Trish <Taylor.Trish@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** please clarify with your brownfields coordinators that calls with PADs to new recipients to get quotes can happen anytime now

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Someone heard that folks were told to 

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 Recipients would be asked to keep information embargoes. Would you please let your coordinators know. Thanks

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Brigid Lowery | Director | Office of Communications, Partnerships, and Analysis  
Office of Land | U.S. EPA



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**Sent:** 4/19/2018 11:18:48 PM  
**To:** Taheri, Diane [Taheri.Diane@epa.gov]; Gray, David [gray.david@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: Region 2 Rollout Plan for Brownfields Grants Announcement

Per Diane's request- sample pitch plan for bfields per John Konkus request

Thx ng

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Kluesner, Dave" <[kluesner.dave@epa.gov](mailto:kluesner.dave@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** April 18, 2018 at 4:10:28 PM EDT  
**To:** "Sauerhage, Maggie" <[Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov](mailto:Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** "Grantham, Nancy" <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>, "Mears, Mary" <[Mears.Mary@epa.gov](mailto:Mears.Mary@epa.gov)>, "Covington, Tayler" <[covington.tayler@epa.gov](mailto:covington.tayler@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Region 2 Rollout Plan for Brownfields Grants Announcement

Maggie,

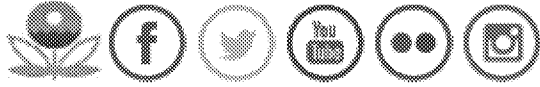
Region 2's addition to the roll out plan:

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David W. Kluesner



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**From:** Kluesner, Dave  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 17, 2018 6:26 PM  
**To:** Sauerhage, Maggie <[Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov](mailto:Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>; Mears, Mary <[Mears.Mary@epa.gov](mailto:Mears.Mary@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Region 2 Rollout Plan for Brownfields Grants Announcement  
**Importance:** High

Please let us know if you need anything further.

**Region 2 Brownfields Grants Announcement**  
Wednesday, April 25, 2018

## REGION 2 GRANTS SUMMARY

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**Sent:** 4/19/2018 9:53:25 PM  
**To:** Lowery, Brigid [Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: brownfield grants  
**Attachments:** Regional Plans for Brownfields Announcement.docx

This is what I sent to Ryan, per Veronica's request. We are still getting the targeted media market info from some of the regions.

Thanks ng

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2018 3:32 PM  
**To:** Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Darwin, Veronica <darwin.veronica@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: brownfield grants

Ryan,

Please see the regional roll out plans for next week's brownfields cleanup grant announcements. We have also asked each region to provide us with a media market targeted pitch plan which will be incorporated into this document.

Think we have a robust outreach plan in the making.

Please let us know if you have questions or comments.

Thanks ng

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**From:** Jackson, Ryan  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 1:59 PM  
**To:** Dunn, Alexandra <dunn.alexandra@epa.gov>; Lopez, Peter <lopez.peter@epa.gov>; Servidio, Cosmo <Servidio.Cosmo@epa.gov>; Glenn, Trey <Glenn.Trey@epa.gov>; Stepp, Cathy <stepp.cathy@epa.gov>; Idsal, Anne <idsal.anne@epa.gov>; Gulliford, Jim <gulliford.jim@epa.gov>; Benevento, Douglas <benevento.douglas@epa.gov>; Strauss, Alexis <Strauss.Alexis@epa.gov>; Hladick, Christopher <hladick.christopher@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Cook, Steven <cook.steven@epa.gov>; Brown, Byron <brown.byron@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Darwin,

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**Subject:** brownfield grants

April 25, EPA will announce the newest round of the incredibly popular brownfields grants. I understand that some of the RAs have events associated with some of the announcements. We would like to coordinate between your press shops and ours to get the most coverage of these important investments in communities across the country.

Please have your press shops coordinate with Liz Bowman, John Konkus, or Nancy Grantham as soon as possible on your plans. Whether events are planned or not, we would like to coordinate messaging with our press and congressional affairs offices so that we have maximum impact with the new awards.

Should you have questions about details on the specific awards, please contact Steve Cook, our DAA for OLEM.

Thank you all.

Ryan Jackson  
Chief of Staff  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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**Sent:** 4/11/2018 5:18:33 PM  
**To:** Levine, Carolyn [Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: list of ARC grant selected applicants  
**Attachments:** FY18 ARC Grants Selected For Funding By State\_R09\_4-9-2018.pdf; ATT00001.htm; FY18 ARC Grants Selected For Funding By State\_R08\_4-9-2018.pdf; ATT00002.htm; FY18 ARC Grants Selected For Funding By State\_R07\_4-9-2018.pdf; ATT00003.htm; FY18 ARC Grants Selected For Funding By State\_R06\_4-9-2018.pdf; ATT00004.htm; FY18 ARC Grants Selected For Funding By State\_R05\_4-9-2018.pdf; ATT00005.htm; FY18 ARC Grants Selected For Funding By State\_R04\_4-9-2018.pdf; ATT00006.htm; FY18 ARC Grants Selected For Funding By State\_R03\_4-9-2018.pdf; ATT00007.htm; FY18 ARC Grants Selected For Funding By State\_R02\_4-9-2018.pdf; ATT00008.htm; FY18 ARC Grants Selected For Funding By State\_R10\_4-9-2018.pdf; ATT00009.htm; FY18 ARC Grants Selected For Funding By State\_R01\_4-9-2018.pdf; ATT00010.htm; FY18 ARC Grants Selected For Funding By State\_R02\_4-9-2018.pdf; ATT00011.htm; OBLR revised Draft PAD script\_4.10.18.docx; ATT00012.htm

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**Cc:** "Benjamin, Kent" <[Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov](mailto:Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov)>, "Sutton, Amanda" <[Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov](mailto:Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: list of ARC grant selected applicants

Hi Nancy,

Attached are the selected applicants per region. Please share the embargoed, individual regional list with the corresponding PAD.

Also attached are the draft TPs for the PADs, as we discussed. They're in the form of questions so they can be used while reaching out for quotes as well as an In-the-Moment video script.

I expect the remaining draft comms materials COB tomorrow.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,  
Trish

Trish Taylor, Office of Communications, Partnerships and Analysis (OCPA)  
U.S. EPA, Office of Land and Emergency Management (OLEM)  
WJC West, RM 3137  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20460  
(202) 566-2615  
[taylor.trish@epa.gov](mailto:taylor.trish@epa.gov)

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 11:06 AM  
**To:** Lowery, Brigid <[Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov](mailto:Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov)>; Taylor, Trish <[Taylor.Trish@epa.gov](mailto:Taylor.Trish@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Benjamin, Kent <[Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov](mailto:Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: list of BF recipients

Thanks

**Nancy Grantham**  
**Office of Public Affairs**  
**US Environmental Protection Agency**  
**202-564-6879 (desk)**  

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**From:** Lowery, Brigid  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 10:58 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>; Taylor, Trish <[Taylor.Trish@epa.gov](mailto:Taylor.Trish@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Benjamin, Kent <[Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov](mailto:Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** list of BF recipients

We are getting the list of recipients from OBLR and sending to you. Heading into staff meeting but can talk later.

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Brigid Lowery | Director | Office of Communications, Partnerships, and Analysis  
Office of Land | U.S. EPA  
202-566-0198

Message

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=12A3C2ED7158417FB0BB1B1B72A8CFB0-GRANTHAM, NANCY]  
**Sent:** 4/11/2018 1:29:59 PM  
**To:** Gray, David [gray.david@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Close Hold FY18 ARC Grants Selected For Funding By State\_R06\_4-9-2018.pdf

Great

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**From:** Gray, David  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 9:24 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Close Hold FY18 ARC Grants Selected For Funding By State\_R06\_4-9-2018.pdf

We are going to use this to also highlight our war on lead initiative

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 10, 2018, at 12:11 PM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

We discuss on the 2:30 p.m. est PAD call today.

Thanks ng

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**Sent:** 4/11/2018 12:02:26 PM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: WOTUS

Think ok to share with jack so long as he doesn't start calling ow yet – as they seem quite sensitive on the matter.

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**From:** Richardson, RobinH  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 7:59 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: WOTUS

Thank you Nancy! Ok to share with Jack? And wonder if OW would want to do another consultation type meeting like we did for step one?

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Robin H Richardson  
PDAA/OCIR  
202-564-3358 (desk)  

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 (cell)  
[richardson.robinh@epa.gov](mailto:richardson.robinh@epa.gov)

On Apr 11, 2018, at 7:32 AM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

Close hold

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**From:** Drinkard, Andrea  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 4:42 PM  
**To:** Bowman, Liz <[Bowman.Liz@epa.gov](mailto: Bowman.Liz@epa.gov)>; Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>; Block, Molly <[block.molly@epa.gov](mailto:block.molly@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** WOTUS

DRAFT DELIBERATIVE

Hi Liz/Molly/Nancy,



I know you all are super busy, but I wanted to put a marker down in case you're hearing about an upcoming action on WOTUS. As you know we're doing WOTUS in a two-step process. Last summer, we proposed step 1—repeal the 2015 definition and recodify the 1986 definition. We received more than 600,000 comments and after reviewing the comments it's become apparent that there was some confusion about what we wanted comment on. To deal with this confusion, we've drafted a supplemental proposal, which we want to put out for public comment. Dave briefed the Administrator and got the green light from him this morning, there's one more meeting this afternoon before we would be ready to move forward.

If all goes well this afternoon (I'll keep you posted), the next step in the process is OMB review, which I would expect to happen within the next few days. Since the rule will show up as under review on the OMB website the day after we submit it, I thought it would be best if we had a statement that we could possibly get out proactively to a couple reporters the night before the rule posts on the OMB website, so we can set the narrative.

I'm happy to talk specifics as far as roll-out, but at this point, I just wanted to make sure you were aware that this was coming and had a draft statement in case this pops quickly. Dave has reviewed and approved.

#### Statement

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Communications Director  
EPA Office of Water  
Desk: 202.564.1601  
Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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**Sent:** 4/18/2018 2:39:34 PM  
**To:** Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Region 9 Brownfields rollout plan

Thanks .. 9 is below – so just 6 and 7? Thanks ng

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**From:** Sauerhage, Maggie  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 18, 2018 10:37 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Region 9 Brownfields rollout plan

6, 7, & 9

Maggie Sauerhage  
Office of Public Affairs  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Office: (202) 564-0443  
Cell: 

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**Subject:** FW: Region 9 Brownfields rollout plan

Can you let me know who you are missing and I will ping them.

Thanks ng

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**From:** Zito, Kelly  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 18, 2018 10:33 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Glenn, William <Glenn.William@epa.gov>; Huitric, Michele <Huitric.Michele@epa.gov>  
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Thanks-  
Kelly

Region 9 Brownfields Announcement Plan-

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**Sent:** 4/18/2018 2:32:59 PM  
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**Sent:** 1/23/2018 11:14:02 PM  
**To:** Kluesner, Dave [kluesner.dave@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: BBay

Yes sorry

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 23, 2018, at 6:13 PM, Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov> wrote:

Just now seeing this and think that perhaps you intended this for someone else.

*David W. Kluesner*

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Chief of Public Outreach  
290 Broadway, 26<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10007  
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**Sent:** Tuesday, January 23, 2018 10:37 AM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Borum, Denis <Borum.Denis@epa.gov>; Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: BBay

Close hold please -- might 

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**Sent:** Tuesday, January 23, 2018 10:25 AM  
**To:** Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
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Thanks ng

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Andrea,

This looks fine to me. The only comment I would have is as follows:

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Lee

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**Sent:** Monday, January 22, 2018 5:09 PM

**To:** Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>

**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison  
<Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>

**Subject:** FW: BB

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**Subject:** BB

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**Sent:** 2/8/2018 5:40:53 PM  
**To:** Orquina, Jessica [Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov]; Ortiz, Julia [Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: Follow up to phone call regarding EPA communications policies for class project

Here you go .. sorry for the delay thanks ng

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**From:** Jones, Enesta  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 07, 2018 3:45 PM  
**To:** Daguiard, Robert <Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** AO OPA Media Relations <AO\_OPA\_Media\_Relations@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Follow up to phone call regarding EPA communications policies for class project

Here is our policy, last updated in 1999, while the page itself was last updated in 6/2017:

<https://www.epa.gov/stylebook/epa-communications-stylebook-whos-who-and-networking-through-epa-communications>

I would start with Tate B. or Amy D. in OPE.

On Feb 7, 2018, at 3:41 PM, Daguiard, Robert <Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

OMR folks, I'm wondering if we should put him in touch with OPE or even OEE?

**From:** Moch, Jonathan [mailto:Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 07, 2018 3:39 PM  
**To:** Daguiard, Robert <Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Follow up to phone call regarding EPA communications policies for class project

Dear Robert,

Thank you so much for talking on the phone with me earlier. As I mentioned, I am a PhD student at Harvard working on a class project on science and science-policy issues, and am currently focusing on public communications at science relevant government agencies.

For the project I am trying to get a hold of whatever is written down as the EPA's public communications policy. For example, the Department of Commerce has a public communications policy which you can find here: [http://www.osc.doc.gov/opog/dmp/daos/dao219\\_1.html](http://www.osc.doc.gov/opog/dmp/daos/dao219_1.html). (Another example is the Department of the Interior's policy here: <https://elips.doi.gov/elips/0/doc/3037/Page1.aspx>).

Does the EPA have a similar policy governing public communications (e.g. publications, speeches, media coverage, etc.)?

I've so far been able to find the EPA Style book and the social media policy, but nothing along the lines of a general policy like at other agencies. I would greatly appreciate your help referring me to the appropriate person who can help me track down whatever policies the EPA has on these issues.

Thank you in advance.

With best regards,

Jonathan

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Jonathan M. Moch  
Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences  
Harvard University

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**Sent:** 1/31/2018 3:50:39 PM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Borum, Denis [Borum.Denis@epa.gov]; Klasen, Matthew [Klasen.Matthew@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** close hold FW: WOTUS Step 0 -- press release and timing

Thanks ng

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**From:** Block, Molly  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 31, 2018 10:48 AM  
**To:** Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** WOTUS Step 0

This should be the final release. We're aiming to send this out around 3:00 pm, but I'm still waiting for the ok to send it then. Let me know if you have any questions!

Molly

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**Sent:** 3/23/2018 12:20:20 PM  
**To:** Borum, Denis [Borum.Denis@epa.gov]; Klasen, Matthew [Klasen.Matthew@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Ohio impaired waters -- epa statement

Here it is:

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**From:** Borum, Denis  
**Sent:** Friday, March 23, 2018 8:01 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Integrated Report news release

Good morning, Nancy -

Just checking in after not seeing our statement yesterday. What is the current status? Thank you

Denis

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 22, 2018, at 11:59 AM, Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

See below – close hold on this .. ow is very involved in this issue

Thanks ng

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**From:** Kelley, Jeff  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2018 11:50 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>; Drinkard, Andrea <[Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov](mailto:Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Rowan, Anne <[rowan.anne@epa.gov](mailto:rowan.anne@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Integrated Report news release

FYI

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**Jeff Kelley**  
*Director, Office of External Communications*  
*U.S. EPA Region 5*  
*ph: 312-353-1159*

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Heidi.Griesmer@epa.ohio.gov" <[Heidi.Griesmer@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:Heidi.Griesmer@epa.ohio.gov)>  
**Date:** March 22, 2018 at 10:21:45 AM CDT  
**To:** "Kelley, Jeff" <[kelley.jeff@epa.gov](mailto:kelley.jeff@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Integrated Report news release

Jeff,

As I mentioned on the phone, the attached news release will be released at 1 p.m. today. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Heidi Griesmer  
Deputy Director for Communication  
Ohio EPA  
(614) 644-2782  
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**Sent:** 1/30/2018 11:56:53 PM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Close hold FW: Final Press Release from Kell -- EPA Administrator DRAFT\_Pruitt Invites Cabinet Secretaries to Meeting on Reducing Childhood Lead Exposure (003).docx  
**Attachments:** EPA Administrator DRAFT\_Pruitt Invites Cabinet Secretaries to Meeting on Reducing Childhood Lead Exposure (003).docx; Draft Pruitt Letter ot other fed agencies on lead inititative 1.29.2018 ....docx

Hi –

I don't know who covers lead in ocir – if you can share – also interagency.

Thanks ng

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**Office of Public Affairs**  
**US Environmental Protection Agency**  
**202-564-6879 (desk)**  

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 30, 2018 6:47 PM  
**To:** Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Daniell, Kelsi <daniell.kelsi@epa.gov>; Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Final Press Release from Kell -- EPA Administrator DRAFT\_Pruitt Invites Cabinet Secretaries to Meeting on Reducing Childhood Lead Exposure (003).docx

All,

Below and attached is what Kell considers to be the final lead press release. While the Administrator's letter to his fellow Cabinet Secretaries (final also attached) will go out

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 Kell is comfortable with this press release going 

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Lincoln, I told Kell that we would have you review/edit the quote.

There will also be an internal mass mailer from the Administrator that will go out 

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 as well – I will share that draft tomorrow.

Thanks ng

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**Sent:** 8/29/2019 9:58:52 PM  
**To:** Larson, Darrin [Larson.Darrin@epa.gov]; McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Taheri, Diane [Taheri.Diane@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: DRAFT WOTUS Comms Materials

Thanks

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**From:** Larson, Darrin <Larson.Darrin@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 29, 2019 5:57 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Taheri, Diane <Taheri.Diane@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: DRAFT WOTUS Comms Materials

Hi Nancy,

Here's our comms plan. We're planning Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) and are still locking down the details, but we should have a run of show soon.

Darrin Larson  
Acting Director, Office of External Affairs  
U.S. EPA Region 6  
Office: 214-665-7115  
Mobile: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2019 10:58 AM  
**To:** Regional Public Affairs Directors <Regional\_Public\_Affairs\_Directors@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: DRAFT WOTUS Comms Materials

For our 12:30 p.m call today – please note these materials are close hold and draft thanks ng

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**From:** Risley, David <Risley.David@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2019 10:47 AM  
**To:** McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>; McDonough, Owen <mcdonough.owen@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** DRAFT WOTUS Comms Materials

All,  
Here are draft communications materials from OW for next week's WOTUS announcement. These have been reviewed by Owen but have not be reviewed by Dave or officially cleared from OW yet. We hope these will be helpful for communications/engagement planning purposes. To that end, they can be shared with the Regional PADs in advance of the 12:30 call. However, they should not be shared outside of EPA. To the extent that they are shared inside EPA, please be sure to note their draft/internal/deliberative nature.

Best,

David

David Risley  
EPA Office of Water  
Acting Deputy Communications Director

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**Sent:** 1/17/2018 12:54:12 PM  
**To:** Colip, Matthew [colip.matthew@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Regional Public Affairs Directors [Regional\_Public\_Affairs\_Directors@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Levine, Carolyn [Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov]; Wise, Allison [Wise.Allison@epa.gov]; Lowery, Brigid [Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov]; Cohen, Nancy [Cohen.Nancy@epa.gov]; Faulk, Libby [Faulk.Libby@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Please embargo redev press release until 8 a.m. est tomorrow

Thanks

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**From:** Colip, Matthew  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 17, 2018 7:53 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Regional Public Affairs Directors <Regional\_Public\_Affairs\_Directors@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Levine, Carolyn <Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov>; Wise, Allison <Wise.Allison@epa.gov>; Lowery, Brigid <Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov>; Cohen, Nancy <Cohen.Nancy@epa.gov>; Faulk, Libby <Faulk.Libby@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Please embargo redev press release until 8 a.m. est tomorrow

The Redevelopment Focus List page is now live: <https://www.epa.gov/superfund-redevelopment-initiative/superfund-redevelopment-focus-list>

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 16, 2018, at 1:22 PM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

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All –

Knowing that you all have made notifications to folks re: the redev press release – can you please make sure that those folks know it is embargoed until 8 a.m est tomorrow

Thanks ng

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**Sent:** 1/10/2018 6:58:33 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)  
**Attachments:** Superfund PFAS List on Background.docx

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 10, 2018 11:47 AM  
**To:** Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

Need to connect with you on this thanks ng

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**From:** Block, Molly  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 10, 2018 8:15 AM  
**To:** Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

Pared it down a bit and no need for attribution because this is all background info.

On background:

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**From:** Jones, Enesta  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 9, 2018 5:27 PM  
**To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

**Background:** Bloomberg Environment reporter is asking for the names and number of Superfund sites on the National Priorities List that are contaminated with the chemical, Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). **Note:**

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There have been public meetings and news articles at specific sites and the site-specific information was made public. OLEM is fine with attribution to Barry Breen, principal deputy assistant administrator of OLEM. Response input from OLEM. Sylvia Carignan, [scarignan@bloombergenvironment.com](mailto:scarignan@bloombergenvironment.com)

Suggested Response:

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**Sent:** 1/12/2018 11:09:55 PM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: briefing sheet  
**Attachments:** Lindon Briefing Paper 01.10.18.docx; ATT00001.htm

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Friday, January 12, 2018 5:54 PM  
**To:** Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: briefing sheet

FYI on this order – oeca is looped – imminent and substantial danger order in region 6 – mailed to the company – however the city of houston is aware – so could get out ..

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**From:** Taheri, Diane  
**Sent:** Friday, January 12, 2018 2:05 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Gray, David <gray.david@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: briefing sheet

As discussed. Yes Rose Marie Kelly and Ramiro at OECA are aware.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Seager, Cheryl" <Seager.Cheryl@epa.gov>  
**Date:** January 12, 2018 at 12:56:38 PM CST  
**To:** "Taheri, Diane" <Taheri.Diane@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** briefing sheet

Cheryl Seager | Director | Compliance Assurance and Enforcement Division | EPA Region 6 | Mail Code 6EN |  
1445 Ross Avenue | Suite 1200 | Dallas, TX 75202 | Phone 214-665-3114 |

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**Sent:** 3/7/2018 12:52:31 PM  
**To:** schaffer, joan [schafer.joan@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Libertz, Catherine [Libertz.Catherine@epa.gov]; White, Terri-A [White.Terri-A@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Fyi -- close hold

Mid april

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**From:** schaffer, joan  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 07, 2018 7:52 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Libertz, Catherine <Libertz.Catherine@epa.gov>; White, Terri-A <White.Terri-A@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Fyi -- close hold

Ok.

Nancy, what's the timing, any idea?  
Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 7, 2018, at 7:46 AM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

FYI on this lead grant in region 3 – we will work on an announcement thanks ng

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**From:** Sauerhage, Maggie  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 06, 2018 7:56 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Hubbard, Carolyn <[Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov](mailto:Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov)>; Gibbons, Dayna <[Gibbons.Dayna@epa.gov](mailto:Gibbons.Dayna@epa.gov)>; Maguire, Megan <[Maguire.Megan@epa.gov](mailto:Maguire.Megan@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: do we know who the recipients are for the lead grants we discussed last week? thanks ng

Yes - here are the internal summaries for both.

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On Mar 6, 2018, at 7:40 AM, Grantham, Nancy  
<[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

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**Sent:** 1/16/2018 6:25:40 PM  
**To:** Levine, Carolyn [Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Please embargo redev press release until 8 a.m. est tomorrow

Do not expect edits thanks ng

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**From:** Levine, Carolyn  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 16, 2018 1:25 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Please embargo redev press release until 8 a.m. est tomorrow

I didn't send the national release yet--do you expect the national release will have edits? Aaron/I are ok holding our notifs. til tomorrow if needed.

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*Carolyn Levine*  
*Office of Congressional and*  
*Intergovernmental Relations*  
*U.S. EPA*  
*(202) 564-1859*  
*[levine.carolyn@epa.gov](mailto:levine.carolyn@epa.gov)*

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 16, 2018 1:23 PM  
**To:** Regional Public Affairs Directors <[Regional\\_Public\\_Affairs\\_Directors@epa.gov](mailto:Regional_Public_Affairs_Directors@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Richardson, RobinH <[Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov](mailto:Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov)>; Levine, Carolyn <[Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov](mailto:Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov)>; Wise, Allison <[Wise.Allison@epa.gov](mailto:Wise.Allison@epa.gov)>; Colip, Matthew <[colip.matthew@epa.gov](mailto:colip.matthew@epa.gov)>; Lowery, Brigid <[Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov](mailto:Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov)>; Cohen, Nancy <[Cohen.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Cohen.Nancy@epa.gov)>; Faulk, Libby <[Faulk.Libby@epa.gov](mailto:Faulk.Libby@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Please embargo redev press release until 8 a.m. est tomorrow

All –

Knowing that you all have made notifications to folks re: the redev press release – can you please make sure that those folks know it is embargoed until 8 a.m est tomorrow

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**Sent:** 1/4/2018 12:07:32 AM  
**To:** Deegan, Dave [Deegan.Dave@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Region 1 - DEADLINE request for statement

Good to go

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**From:** Deegan, Dave  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 03, 2018 6:53 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Region 1 - DEADLINE request for statement

Yes

Thanks,  
Dave

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Dave Deegan  
US EPA, Region 1  
617.918.1017 - office  
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[deegan.dave@epa.gov](mailto:deegan.dave@epa.gov)

On Jan 3, 2018, at 6:32 PM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

Is this the same as we already issued?

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**From:** Deegan, Dave  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 03, 2018 6:21 PM  
**To:** regionalpress <[regionalpress@epa.gov](mailto:regionalpress@epa.gov)>; Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Region 1 - DEADLINE request for statement

Good to go? I'd actually shorten it slightly, but still the same.

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From: regionalpress

Sent: Wednesday, January 03, 2018 6:07 PM

To: Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>; regionalpress <regionalpress@epa.gov>

Cc: Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>; Moraff, Kenneth <Moraff.Ken@epa.gov>; McGuire, Karen <McGuire.Karen@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Region 1 - DEADLINE request for statement

Thanks ng

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From: Deegan, Dave

Sent: Wednesday, January 03, 2018 4:53 PM

To: regionalpress <regionalpress@epa.gov>

Cc: Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>; Moraff, Kenneth <Moraff.Ken@epa.gov>; McGuire, Karen <McGuire.Karen@epa.gov>; Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>

Subject: Region 1 - DEADLINE request for statement

We have a reporter on deadline seeking info on water discharge in Agawam MA from testing of a new pipeline. This is also Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Suggested response is Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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**From:** Handler, Neil

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 03, 2018 1:04 PM

**To:** Deegan, Dave <[Deegan.Dave@epa.gov](mailto:Deegan.Dave@epa.gov)>

**Cc:** Bandrowicz, Toni <[bandrowicz.toni@epa.gov](mailto:bandrowicz.toni@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** FW: Question about this letter re Tennessee Gas CT Expansion Pipeline Project water release Agawam

**From:** Heather Bellow [<mailto:hbellow@berkshireeagle.com>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 03, 2018 12:38 PM

**To:** Handler, Neil <[Handler.Neil@epa.gov](mailto:Handler.Neil@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Question about this letter re Tennessee Gas CT Expansion Pipeline Project water release Agawam

Hi Neil,

I've written a story about this and was forwarded this letter, which states that the wastewater did go into a tributary.

"However, miscommunication between the operator and their onsite contractor resulted in the discharge of this effluent to an unnamed tributary to Worthington Brook, which ultimately flows into the Connecticut River (MA34-05), with no additional treatment."

I want to confirm this with you, since Tenn. Gas said it did not reach the tributary.

Can you confirm that this email from Shauna Little is correct?

All best.

Heather

Docket No. CWA-308-R01-FY18-17 for

Paula,

Thank you for your message. I received verbal notification for RGP #MAG910717, the Connecticut Expansion Project in Agawam, MA, on November 28, 2017. Verbal notification was received from Brian Benito, the named contact for the authorized operator, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, LLC. The initial notification was received November 28, 2017 in a voicemail prior to my arrival at the office. I spoke directly to Mr. Benito when I returned the call. The information Mr. Benito provided is summarized as follows:

- This site generated approximately 15,000 gallons of hydrostatic test water.
- Based on the in-process sample required under the RGP (i.e., prior to discharge), the operator determined that effluent limitations would be exceeded for several metals and one or more volatile organic compounds.
- As a result, the operator had previously indicated to EPA that the effluent would be removed offsite rather than discharged.
- However, miscommunication between the operator and their onsite contractor resulted in the discharge of this effluent to an unnamed tributary to Worthington Brook, which ultimately flows into the Connecticut River (MA34-05), with no additional treatment.
- The effluent samples required under the RGP were not collected.
- No effluent remains to be discharged.

I requested that the operator provide a list of the specific parameters identified in exceedance of RGP limitations in the in-process sample. The operator provided information on November 29, 2017 as follows:

- Copper- 1.9 ug/L
- Lead- 0.365 ug/L
- Iron- 3.9 mg/L
- Diethylhexyl Phthalate- 6.9 ug/L
- Tetrachloroethylene- 6.9 ug/L

On November 29, 2017, I provided information regarding this matter to EPA Region 1's Office of Environmental Stewardship (OES). Any additional questions concerning this matter should be directed to Neil Handler. I have copied him on this response

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Regards,

Shauna Little  
Physical Scientist  
USEPA New England

5 Post Office Square, Suite 100/OEP06-1  
Boston, Massachusetts 02109-3912  
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**Sent:** 12/22/2017 6:10:28 PM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Ozone press relase: FW: EPA Advances Cooperative Federalism Through Designation Process for Sulfur Dioxide and Ozone Standards - Preview

This is very close hold. Thanks ng

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**From:** "EPA Press Office" <[press@epa.gov](mailto:press@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** December 22, 2017 at 12:37:44 PM EST  
**To:** "[daniell.kelsi@epa.gov](mailto:daniell.kelsi@epa.gov)"  
<[daniell.kelsi@epa.gov](mailto:daniell.kelsi@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** EPA Advances Cooperative Federalism  
Through Designation Process for Sulfur Dioxide  
and Ozone Standards - Preview  
**Reply-To:** [press@epa.gov](mailto:press@epa.gov)

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**Sent:** 11/6/2017 2:07:18 PM  
**To:** Mears, Mary [Mears.Mary@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Kluesner, Dave [kluesner.dave@epa.gov]; McGowan, Michael [McGowan.Michael@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Pete participating in several speaking events

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Hi Nancy and Robin,  
Just a heads up on a few upcoming speaking engagements for Pete and one event coming up on the LIS Futures Fund.

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**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
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Nancy and Kevin,

Attached is the draft press release for your reference. Please don't distribute.

Please let us know if you have any questions. Thanks!

Best wishes,

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Thanks Robert. We're hoping to get answers as soon as possible, close of business today if possible, but deadline for on-camera intvw more flexible.

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Hey Matthew, what's your firm deadline? Monday is a federal holiday.

On Oct 6, 2017, at 5:06 PM, Brown, Matthew <[MBrown@ap.org](mailto:MBrown@ap.org)> wrote:

Hi Enesta-

I'm hoping to follow up on some assistance that you provided last month on a TSCA story we've been working on.

Specifically, I was asking about "legacy" uses of the chemicals being evaluated by the agency. The agency's scoping material has made clear that legacy uses won't be considered but I want to be sure I'm not misinterpreting that. A couple specifics:

- does the determination on legacy uses apply across all 10 chemicals?
- where is the line on "distribution in commerce"? If it was a previously distributed product (for which production is continuing) is that considered legacy?

Please give me a call or let me know if any of that needs clarification.

We're looking to move our story next week so an answer at earliest chance would be most appreciated. Also, we're pursuing a companion video piece for this. Is anyone from the EPA available for a short, on-camera interview on the topic? We would come to you, of course, and could be flexible on timing as needed.

Thanks for your time and all help.

Matt Brown

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**To:** Brown, Matthew <[MBrown@ap.org](mailto:MBrown@ap.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: AP story on TSCA

Hey Matthew, what's your firm deadline? Monday is a federal holiday.

On Oct 6, 2017, at 5:06 PM, Brown, Matthew <[MBrown@ap.org](mailto:MBrown@ap.org)> wrote:

Hi Enesta-

I'm hoping to follow up on some assistance that you provided last month on a TSCA story we've been working on.



Specifically, I was asking about “legacy” uses of the chemicals being evaluated by the agency. The agency’s scoping material has made clear that legacy uses won’t be considered but I want to be sure I’m not misinterpreting that. A couple specifics:

-does the determination on legacy uses apply across all 10 chemicals?

-where is the line on “distribution in commerce”? If it was a previously distributed product (for which production is continuing) is that considered legacy?

Please give me a call or let me know if any of that needs clarification.

We’re looking to move our story next week so an answer at earliest chance would be most appreciated. Also, we’re pursuing a companion video piece for this. Is anyone from the EPA available for a short, on-camera interview on the topic? We would come to you, of course, and could be flexible on timing as needed.

Thanks for your time and all help.

Matt Brown

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**Sent:** 11/2/2017 3:25:14 PM  
**To:** Zito, Kelly [ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV]  
**Subject:** RE: REVISED: R9 NorCal Fires DRAFT PR

Good to go thanks ng looking at video now

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**From:** Zito, Kelly  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 02, 2017 10:01 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: REVISED: R9 NorCal Fires DRAFT PR

Hi Nancy - We are hoping to hand this out at this morning's media event at 10:00 am our time. Are we good to go? (And if we move a couple of paragraphs around but don't change any substance, I presume we are ok).  
Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 2, 2017, at 3:59 AM, Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)> wrote:

Thx

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 2, 2017, at 1:12 AM, Zito, Kelly <[ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV](mailto:ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV)> wrote:

Hey Nancy – Sorry for the change. I reorganized this a bit to move the newer information up higher... Let me know if this passes muster. Thanks!!  
Kelly

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**Sent:** 11/21/2017 9:05:03 PM  
**To:** Skadowski, Suzanne [Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Holsman, Marianne [Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Yukon River ARNI letter -- E&E News inquiry

Liz looked at it – said she wanted more time – just pinged her again thanks ng

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**From:** Skadowski, Suzanne  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 21, 2017 1:32 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Yukon River ARNI letter -- E&E News inquiry

Hi Nancy,

Reporter has pinged me again. Do you think we'll be able to close this out by the end of the week?

Thank you,  
Suzanne

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Monday, November 20, 2017 3:04 PM  
**To:** Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Yukon River ARNI letter -- E&E News inquiry

Thanks

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**From:** Skadowski, Suzanne

**Sent:** Monday, November 20, 2017 3:55 PM

**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>

**Cc:** Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Yukon River ARNI letter -- E&E News inquiry

Hi Nancy,

Media inquiry and issues summary is attached for Liz.

Thanks,  
Suzanne

## **MEDIA INQUIRY**

**PRESS OFFICER:** Suzanne Skadowski, 206-553-2160

**DATE RECEIVED:** 11/6

**OUTLET:** E&E News

**REPORTER:** Ariel Wittenberg, 202-737-4557, [awittenberg@eenews.net](mailto:awittenberg@eenews.net)

**TOPIC:** EPA review of Alaska Gasline Development Corp. (AGDC), Clean Water Act Section 404 permit applications to Corps of Engineers Alaska District, for Alaska Standalone Pipeline (ASAP) and Alaska Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) projects. EPA's designation of Yukon River basin as "Aquatic Resource of National Importance (ARNI)." E&E News and Alaska media have been tracking this story: Alaska Journal: [EPA designation of Yukon River complicates gasline plans](#), Petroleum News: [AGDC aims at year end](#). Note: Alaska Commerce Department Commissioner Chris Hladick was appointed to be EPA Region 10 Regional Administrator, starting Dec. 4. Hladick previously served on the AGDC board of directors.

**REPORTER'S DEADLINE:** 11/13

**QUESTIONS:** See below. Reporter has copy of R10 Aug. 2017 CWA 404q 3(a) ARNI letter re ASAP and 1992 EPA-Corps CWA 404q MOU. Reporter also submitted FOIA re EPA communications re 3(a) letter.

**PROPOSED ACTION/OUTCOME:** Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

**STATUS:** OPEN

**E&E News Q #1:** How common are ARNI letters?

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**E&E News Q #2:** What other projects in Alaska has EPA sent ARNI letters on since 2008?

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**Sent:** 12/12/2017 10:52:07 PM  
**To:** Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Kaiser, Sven-Erik [Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: WPS/C&T listserv tomorrow AM

Fyi .. close hold

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**From:** Strauss, Linda  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2017 3:41 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Beck, Nancy <Beck.Nancy@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** WPS/C&T listserv tomorrow AM

This OK to go tomorrow am?

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**Sent:** 10/16/2017 8:23:21 PM  
**To:** Welderufael, Miriam [welderufael.miriam@epa.gov]; Mears, Mary [Mears.Mary@epa.gov]; Harris-Bishop, Rusty [Harris-Bishop.Rusty@epa.gov]; Kluesner, Dave [kluesner.dave@epa.gov]; Rodriguez, Elias [Rodriguez.Elias@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Larson, Darrin [Larson.Darrin@epa.gov]; Rini, Sophia [Rini.Sophia@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: New lead pio in hq eoc

Was just going to ask the same thing .. Mary?

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From: Welderufael, Miriam  
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 4:20 PM  
To: Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; Harris-Bishop, Rusty <Harris-Bishop.Rusty@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>; Rodriguez, Elias <Rodriguez.Elias@epa.gov>  
Cc: Larson, Darrin <Larson.Darrin@epa.gov>; Rini, Sophia <Rini.Sophia@epa.gov>  
Subject: RE: New lead pio in hq eoc

Did we receive a final decision on whether or not we need a news release today?

Thanks,

Miriam

-----Original Message-----

From: Mears, Mary  
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 11:07 AM  
To: Harris-Bishop, Rusty <Harris-Bishop.Rusty@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>; Acevedo, Janie <Acevedo.Janie@epa.gov>; Rodriguez, Elias <Rodriguez.Elias@epa.gov>  
Cc: Larson, Darrin <Larson.Darrin@epa.gov>; Rini, Sophia <Rini.Sophia@epa.gov>  
Subject: RE: New lead pio in hq eoc

We should definitely see how Pete feels about a news release today. If we had the field visit still happened, we would very definitely want a release with photos and a quote. Since that is cancelled due to flooding, we may not need a news release. I will see what he thinks once he lands.

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Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 9:55 AM  
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>; Acevedo, Janie <Acevedo.Janie@epa.gov>; Rodriguez, Elias <Rodriguez.Elias@epa.gov>  
Cc: Larson, Darrin <Larson.Darrin@epa.gov>  
Subject: RE: New lead pio in hq eoc

Great! Hi Miriam! And in the REOC we have Darrin Larson, who is coming in behind Janie Acevedo, who is flying home today.

I don't think we'll have a press release today, as the RA is arriving in Puerto Rico, and there will be a media event at the Toa Baja facility today.

Rusty

-----Original Message-----

From: Grantham, Nancy  
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 9:43 AM  
To: Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; Harris-Bishop, Rusty <Harris-Bishop.Rusty@epa.gov>; Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>; Acevedo, Janie <Acevedo.Janie@epa.gov>; Rodriguez, Elias <Rodriguez.Elias@epa.gov>  
Subject: New lead pio in hq eoc

Please welcome Miriam Welderufael as the new lead pio in the hq eoc thx ng

Sent from my iPhone

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**Sent:** 11/29/2017 6:00:48 PM  
**To:** Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Following up regarding 2014 Gap Assessment of National Center for Radiation Field Operations

Can you ask the air/radiation folks if John Edwards name can be used? Thanks ng

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**From:** Lynn, Tricia  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 29, 2017 12:57 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Following up regarding 2014 Gap Assessment of National Center for Radiation Field Operations

Hi Nancy. Is there a name we can give him?

Thanks! -- Tricia

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net>  
**Date:** November 29, 2017 at 12:47:04 PM EST  
**To:** "Lynn, Tricia" <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Following up regarding 2014 Gap Assessment of National Center for Radiation Field Operations

Thanks, Tricia. We'll need to have this attributable to someone by name if we're going to be able to use it. Let me know whether that will be possible and, if so, who I can attribute it to.

Regards,  
Sean

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**From:** Lynn, Tricia [mailto:lynn.tricia@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 29, 2017 10:28 AM  
**To:** Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net>  
**Subject:** RE: Following up regarding 2014 Gap Assessment of National Center for Radiation Field Operations

Sean—

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson:"

The National Center for Radiation Field Operations' 2014 Gap Analysis was a proactive step in identifying areas for improving quality assurance procedures. This analysis was used to update the Center's documentation processes and create a training certification program for our radiation emergency field responders. These processes were finalized in 2015, and are now being successfully implemented.

Best,

Tricia

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**From:** Sean Reilly [<mailto:sreilly@eenews.net>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, November 28, 2017 2:40 PM

**To:** Lynn, Tricia <[lynn.tricia@epa.gov](mailto:lynn.tricia@epa.gov)>

**Cc:** Griggs, John <[Griggs.John@epa.gov](mailto:Griggs.John@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Following up regarding 2014 Gap Assessment of National Center for Radiation Field Operations

Hi Tricia:

In connection with a story that will run tomorrow related to the assessment, I'll be citing a June 18, 2014 email from Dr. Griggs (obtained under the Freedom of Information Act) which indicates that the assessment was requested by Michael Flynn, who was then the director of the Office of Radiation and Indoor Air. I mainly need to confirm that my reading is correct (i.e., that the assessment was requested by Mr. Flynn). If you can also provide any additional information on what led Mr. Flynn to seek the assessment, that would be helpful. My deadline is 10 a.. ET tomorrow.

Thanks,  
Sean Reilly

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**Sent:** 10/16/2017 4:52:12 PM  
**To:** Levine, Carolyn [Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: UPDATE: NICCL Nuggets

**Importance:** High

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**Sent:** Monday, October 16, 2017 10:46 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Larson, Darrin <Larson.Darrin@epa.gov>; Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; Region2 RRC-InformationOfficer <Region2\_RRC-InformationOfficer@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** UPDATE: NICCL Nuggets  
**Importance:** High

Nancy, the Toa Baja media event is being cancelled due to conditions on the ground. We are going to try and get something out when we determine what we'll do instead (perhaps a meeting at CEPD).

Rusty

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**From:** Harris-Bishop, Rusty  
**Sent:** Monday, October 16, 2017 10:13 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Larson, Darrin <Larson.Darrin@epa.gov>; Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; Region2 RRC-InformationOfficer <Region2\_RRC-InformationOfficer@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** NICCL Nuggets

USVI:

- EPA is continuing coordination with USVI on debris management.
- EPA continues to assist the USCG in recovery efforts of sunken vessels by providing data collection, management support and assistance with disposal of oil and hazardous materials recovered from the vessels on all three islands.

Puerto Rico:

- EPA Regional Administrator Pete Lopez arrives in Puerto Rico today. A media event is planned at the Toa Baja facility this afternoon.

- EPA is working to address superfund sites when communities are accessing water. The sites are being secured and EPA is working with FEMA/PREMA to provide additional water to these communities. Our public affairs and CIC staff are addressing media and community outreach actions to warn the public about accessing these sites. A water truck will be stationed at one of the western wells today.



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Sent: 10/24/2017 4:37:28 PM
To: Mears, Mary [Mears.Mary@epa.gov]; regionalpress [regionalpress@epa.gov]
CC: Kluesner, Dave [kluesner.dave@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: FOR APPROVAL: Solar Event News Release

Good to go .. please give me a call about this .. however thanks ng

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From: Mears, Mary
Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2017 12:26 PM
To: regionalpress <regionalpress@epa.gov>
Cc: Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: FOR APPROVAL: Solar Event News Release

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Cc: Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; May, Jennifer <May.Jennifer@epa.gov>
Subject: FOR APPROVAL: Solar Event News Release

Requesting approval to issue the attached news release this Wednesday, October 25, following the media event at 11 AM in Edison, NJ. Also attached is the News Advisory that we are requesting approval to issue Tuesday, October 24 in the PM.

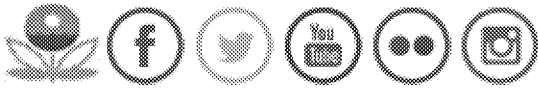
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Sent: 10/24/2017 4:30:23 PM
To: Mears, Mary [Mears.Mary@epa.gov]; regionalpress [regionalpress@epa.gov]
CC: Kluesner, Dave [kluesner.dave@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: FOR APPROVAL: Solar Event News Release

Checking on it now

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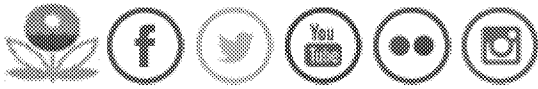
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Sent: 9/27/2017 12:23:44 PM
To: Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]; Fonseca, Silvina [Fonseca.Silvina@epa.gov]; Treimel, Ellen [Treimel.Ellen@epa.gov]; Allen, Reginald [Allen.Reginald@epa.gov]
CC: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: 9/27 issues
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Sent: 9/28/2017 4:57:25 PM
To: Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]; StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]; Dunton, Cheryl [Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov]
CC: Daguiard, Robert [Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: MPR (DDL 10/6): Dicamba

Agree ..

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From: Strauss, Linda
Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2017 12:57 PM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>
Cc: Daguiard, Robert <Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: MPR (DDL 10/6): Dicamba

Perhaps say that **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** Adding Nancy G. on this one. I will send to Nancy Beck and Rick Keigwin for awareness.

(Close hold – from Pruitt briefing yesterday it sounds we are likely still on for **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**)

Linda **Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)**

From: StClair, Christie
Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2017 12:27 PM
To: Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>
Cc: Daguiard, Robert <Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: MPR (DDL 10/6): Dicamba

Reporter is looking for an on-record, taped for radio, interview on dicamba.

Mark Steil
Minnesota Public Radio News (MPR)
Deadline: Friday, 10/6 if possible

Request

1. What is the agency's regulatory authority over dicamba?
2. What are the current EPA regulations concerning the herbicide?
3. What sort of process will the agency go through in the next few months as it reviews widespread farmer claims about dicamba drift damage?

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Sent: 9/26/2017 12:00:32 PM
To: Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]; Allen, Reginald [Allen.Reginald@epa.gov]; Fonseca, Silvina [Fonseca.Silvina@epa.gov]; Treimel, Ellen [Treimel.Ellen@epa.gov]
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Sent: 9/25/2017 11:21:08 AM
To: Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]; Allen, Reginald [Allen.Reginald@epa.gov]; Fonseca, Silvina [Fonseca.Silvina@epa.gov]; Treimel, Ellen [Treimel.Ellen@epa.gov]
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Message

From: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/19/2017 11:41:54 PM
To: Miles, Erin [Miles.Erin@epa.gov]
CC: Senn, John [Senn.John@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: daily enf reports from oeca?

Thx

> On Apr 19, 2017, at 4:32 PM, Miles, Erin <Miles.Erin@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> Dave Cozad has been sending the daily reports to Ryan. I'll let him know about this.
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Senn, John
> Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 3:57 PM
> To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
> Cc: Miles, Erin <Miles.Erin@epa.gov>
> Subject: RE: daily enf reports from oeca?
>
> Looping in Erin Miles, our chief of staff, on this one, who I believe is overseeing the compilation of the daily reports.
>
>

> From: Grantham, Nancy
> Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 3:39 PM
> To: Senn, John
> Cc: Grantham, Nancy
> Subject: daily enf reports from oeca?
>
> Evidently these were going to ryan Jackson ==
>
> We have a hot issues meeting with the office of policy on Monday Weds and Friday each week and it would be useful to have these.
>
> The participants in the meeting would like to get the report -
>
>
> Brittany Bolen
>
> Mike Flynn
>
> Tim Torma
>
> Robin Richardson
>
> Nancy Grantham
>
>
> Note: these are in addition to people who already may be getting this. We understand these are close hold items.
>
> Thanks ng
>
>

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Sent: 2/2/2017 9:31:41 PM
To: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]; Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: GEORGE / NANCY RE: RESPONSE: PRESS BOX: TRANSITION - DDL 2/6- Inquiry from VICE News on HBO — TRI data removal?

yes

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(mobile)

From: Valentine, Julia
Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 4:29 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>
Subject: GEORGE / NANCY RE: RESPONSE: PRESS BOX: TRANSITION - DDL 2/6- Inquiry from VICE News on HBO — TRI data removal?

Grants statement updated.

Good to send?

Julia P. Valentine
Assoc. Dir./Acting Dir.
U.S. EPA, Ofc of Media Relations
202.564.2663 direct

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 m/txt

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 4:10 PM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: RESPONSE: PRESS BOX: TRANSITION - DDL 2/6- Inquiry from VICE News on HBO — TRI data removal?

The grants statement is not right ..thanks ng

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(mobile)

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 4:09 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RESPONSE: PRESS BOX: TRANSITION - DDL 2/6- Inquiry from VICE News on HBO — TRI data removal?

Proposed response – with a couple of minor edits in the question about

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

In response to your question about agency communications:

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In response to your question about grants:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

In response to your question about Superfund:

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In response to your question about science:

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In response to your question about TRI.

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From: Daguillard, Robert

Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2017 2:10 PM

To: Press <Press@epa.gov>

Subject: PRESS BOX: TRANSITION - Inquiry from VICE News on HBO — TRI data removal?

SUGGESTION:

1. **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

2.

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VICE MEDIA LLC

Arielle Duhaime-Ross

arielle.dr@vice.com

Correspondent, VICE News Tonight on HBO

DEADLINE: Thursday, February 2.

1. That's good news. Thank you. As a follow-up, is there still a cap on EPA employees using social media or releasing fact sheets or scientific reports? There has been some confusion across federal agencies and I'd like to clarify those points. Can you also comment on the hiring and grant freeze? How long will it last? And has the Trump administration begun to review scientific reports prior to their release?

Finally, I'd like to know if any of the new orders from the Trump administration will interfere with remediation efforts at Federal Superfund sites. Will these new policies affect efforts to clean sites?

2. A source of mine has noticed that the Toxic Release Inventory on the EPA website appears to be having some issues. I'm told that when people try to access the data, those pages have repeatedly crashed or showed an error message. Is something going on with the TRI? Are there any plans to remove it from the EPA website. I was told to refresh the page, but I wasn't told much else. So just to be sure: was there a bug with the TRI inventory page? A

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Sent: 3/27/2017 7:02:34 PM
To: Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]; Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Subject: Fw: Media inquiry - Energy Star and Budget

think we need to handle this here -- per curtis' note

thanks ng

From: Carey, Curtis
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 2:58 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy; regionalpress
Cc: Hull, George; Daguiard, Robert; Valentine, Julia; Brees, Angela
Subject: RE: Media inquiry - Energy Star and Budget

Hi Nancy,

Robert sent me an email this morning, CC to Julia, asking for an update on this inquiry. We don't have additional details in R7 to offer in response to the reporter's questions about the budget. Does HQ want to manage the response back?

Thanks,
Curtis

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 5:33 PM
To: Carey, Curtis <Carey.Curtis@epa.gov>
Cc: Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>; Fenton, Kathleen <Fenton.Kathleen@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Media inquiry - Energy Star and Budget

Will check on it

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 23, 2017, at 6:17 PM, Carey, Curtis <Carey.Curtis@epa.gov> wrote:

Nancy,

On the PADs meeting yesterday you mentioned HQ would manage all budget inquiries. This might need to stay at HQ. I don't believe we have any relevant dollar figures but could check if needed.

From: Lynn, Tricia

Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 2:41 PM
To: Fenton, Kathleen <Fenton.Kathleen@epa.gov>
Cc: Brees, Angela <Brees.Angela@epa.gov>; Carey, Curtis <Carey.Curtis@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Re: Media inquiry

Hi Kathleen—

In Curtis and Angela's absence, I'm writing to see if you can help with the press inquiry below. As you'll see, the reporter is asking for specific information about Energy Star in Kansas. OAR said they're not able to provide state-specific information, but that maybe R7 could.

Thanks so much,

Tricia

Tricia Lynn
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. EPA
Office: 202.564.2615

From: Drinkard, Andrea
Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 3:29 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Cc: Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Re: Media inquiry

Hi Tricia,

Our program actions aren't broken down on the state level as the reporter is requesting. You could check with the region for good measure, if you wanted (please note that you've already checked with us if you do). But for now, I don't think we have anything further to provide.

Thanks.

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 1:39 PM
To: Kelty, Diane <Kelty.Diane@epa.gov>
Cc: McMichael, Nate <McMichael.Nate@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Re: Media inquiry

Hi Diane—

Please see the string below. The reporter came back with the following:

I still need the data on what Energy Star programs are used in Kansas, and the annual expenditure of funds in Kansas for 10 years.

Is this something you can answer, or do I need to go to the region? Something else?

Thanks so much,

Tricia

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 9:52 AM
To: 'morgan.rothenberger@cjonline.com' <morgan.rothenberger@cjonline.com>
Subject: Re: Media inquiry

Morgan—
See below for EPA's response to your inquiry.
Best,
Tricia

EPA Response:

The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. Administrator Pruitt is committed to leading the EPA in a more effective, more focused, less costly way as we partner with states to fulfill the agency's core mission
- For attribution to Julia Valentine, an EPA spokesperson

From: "Chilson, Morgan" <morgan.rothenberger@cjonline.com>
Date: March 21, 2017 at 3:27:31 PM EDT
To: "media@energystar.gov" <media@energystar.gov>
Subject: Media inquiry
Good afternoon:

I'm working on a story about potential cuts under the Trump budget proposal. I understand the Energy Star program may be cut. I'd like to narrow in on what Energy Star programs are utilized in Kansas, how such cuts would impact the state and also would like to see an annual expenditure of funds in Kansas through the past 10 years.

I'd also love to interview someone about Energy Star, its focus as a program, its accomplishments and tie in any Kansas numbers possible.

Thank you!
Morgan

Morgan Chilson
The Topeka Capital-Journal
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(785) 295-5659
@crazywriter

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Sent: 3/27/2017 3:39:04 PM
To: Jenkins, Laura Flynn [Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov]; Thomas, Deb [thomas.debrah@epa.gov]
Subject: Fw: R8 Hot Issues
Attachments: Hot Issues 3 27 2017.docx

hi deb and laura,

I will be in the daily hot issues briefing where the gkm item will come up -- could you share the oig discussion document for context? I realize it is close hold. thanksn g

From: Torma, Tim
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 11:30 AM
To: Grantham, Nancy
Subject: FW: R8 Hot Issues

Should I put the GKM item on the agenda for today?

From: Thomas, Deb
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 11:29 AM
To: 2017 Daily Hot Issues <2017_Daily_Hot_Issues@epa.gov>
Cc: Shapiro, Mike <Shapiro.Mike@epa.gov>; Breen, Barry <Breen.Barry@epa.gov>; Minoli, Kevin <Minoli.Kevin@epa.gov>
Subject: R8 Hot Issues

A couple of issues came up after the Thursday weekly that I want to make sure you are aware of.

Debra H. Thomas
Acting Regional Administrator
U.S. EPA Region 8
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Message

From: Grantham, Nancy [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=12A3C2ED7158417FB0BB1B1B72A8CFB0-GRANTHAM, NANCY]
Sent: 3/16/2017 6:26:58 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]; Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: MEDIA INQUIRY - Huffington Post. Energy Star. DDL: TODAY, 3/10/17 @ 4:30 PM

Thanks

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From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 2:26 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: MEDIA INQUIRY - Huffington Post. Energy Star. DDL: TODAY, 3/10/17 @ 4:30 PM

We ended up just giving them Robert's statement:

Dear Alexander,

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to, "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks, R.

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 2:19 PM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: MEDIA INQUIRY - Huffington Post. Energy Star. DDL: TODAY, 3/10/17 @ 4:30 PM

Can you send me how we answered this one?thanks ng

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Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 2:54 PM
To: Sharpe, Kristinn <Sharpe.Kristinn@epa.gov>
Cc: Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; VonDemHagen, Rebecca <VonDemHagen.Rebecca@epa.gov>
Subject: MEDIA INQUIRY - Huffington Post. Energy Star. DDL: TODAY, 3/10/17 @ 4:30 PM

Hi Kristinn—

We have a statement for questions 1 & 3, though I left them there so you'd know what the reporter's asking. Can you provide a response for #2 please?

Thanks!

--Tricia

Deadline: TODAY, 3/10/17 @ 4:30 PM
Outlet: Huffington Post
Reporter: Alexander Kaufman
alexander.kaufman@huffingtonpost.com

Context:

Reporter is working on a story, probably coming out later today, on how multiple industries -- including real estate, building, engineering, building management and more -- depend on the Energy Star program that is reportedly on the chopping block.

Reporter Questions:

1. Can you confirm that the program was flagged for phase out under the budget proposed by the administration?
2. The EPA funded the program last year to the tune of \$50 million, with another \$7 million coming from DOE, correct?
3. What private services would the EPA point to as possible alternatives or as models for how the program could function as a privatized institution?

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Sent: 2/22/2017 10:31:55 PM
To: Mutter, Andrew [mutter.andrew@epa.gov]; Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]
CC: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]; Mylott, Richard [Mylott.Richard@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: KRDO Interview today - Colorado Smelter

Thanks

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Sent: Wednesday, February 22, 2017 5:31 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>
Cc: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Mylott, Richard <Mylott.Richard@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: KRDO Interview today - Colorado Smelter

Nancy,
Short summary of today's media event.

Best regards,

Andrew

Andrew Mutter

Director, Office of Communication and Public Involvement
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8 (Denver, CO)

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Webpage: [EPA Region 8 \(Mountains and Plains\)](#)

From: Mylott, Richard
Sent: Wednesday, February 22, 2017 2:59 PM
To: Faulk, Libby <Faulk.Libby@epa.gov>; Wharton, Steve <Wharton.Steve@epa.gov>; Murray, Bill <Murray.Bill@epa.gov>; Stavnes, Sandra <Stavnes.Sandra@epa.gov>; Smidinger, Betsy <Smidinger.Betsy@epa.gov>
Cc: Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>; Forrest, Sabrina <Forrest.Sabrina@epa.gov>; Guerra, Valeria <Guerra.Valeria@epa.gov>; Forrest, Sabrina <Forrest.Sabrina@epa.gov>; McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa <Mcclain-Vanderpool.Lisa@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: KRDO Interview today - Colorado Smelter

All- I just spoke with Sabrina. Interview went as expected, content covered included a simple description of EPA alley sampling as part of larger Operable Unit 1 sampling effort (that includes residential properties, parks, and other locations within the site boundaries) to characterize site conditions and determine cleanup needs. Sabrina emphasized that we will continue to work with community to communicate sample results and discuss next steps as we move forward. This includes regular bi-monthly meetings in Pueblo. We expect news segment will air tonight at 6. Special thanks to Sabrina for handling!

Rich 303-312-6654

From: Faulk, Libby

Sent: Wednesday, February 22, 2017 1:15 PM

To: Wharton, Steve <Wharton.Steve@epa.gov>; Murray, Bill <Murray.Bill@epa.gov>; Stavnes, Sandra <Stavnes.Sandra@epa.gov>; Smidinger, Betsy <Smidinger.Betsy@epa.gov>

Cc: Mylott, Richard <Mylott.Richard@epa.gov>; Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>; Forrest, Sabrina <Forrest.Sabrina@epa.gov>; Guerra, Valeria <Guerra.Valeria@epa.gov>

Subject: KRDO Interview today - Colorado Smelter

Importance: High

Hi All,

Wanted to alert you all to an media request that Sabrina received in the field today from KRDO, a local TV station in Pueblo. They are wanting to take video of the alley sampling efforts and interview Sabrina about the alley work. Sabrina has access to the site messaging and Q&A's and will do great. We've talked with Rich who connected with HQ's who has approved of the interview. HQ's will want a report out afterwards of the interview. The interview should take place after 2:00 today. The Reporters plan is to broadcast it on the 5:00 news.

Let me know if you have questions. Please share with others as necessary (RA/DAR?). Thanks, Libby

Libby Faulk, Program Manager

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Message

From: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: 2/22/2017 3:15:58 PM
To: Packard, Elise [Packard.Elise@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: daily clips

Can get you on the list

Thx ng

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 22, 2017, at 10:05 AM, Packard, Elise <Packard.Elise@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Nancy,

What are the rules about the daily clips? Can I get put on the list to read them or are they more close hold?

I thought the event yesterday went very well! Congratulations.

Thanks.

Elise

Elise B. Packard
Acting Principal Deputy General Counsel
U.S. EPA Office of General Counsel, Rm. 4020
(202) 564-7729

From: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/30/2017 4:16:54 PM
To: Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]
CC: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: ICYMI: Rouge social media feds growing concern

Do we have a written social media policy- not asking to create one - just need to know - I created a one pager on digital that I previous shared with you
That we can use thx ng

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Torma, Tim" <Torma.Tim@epa.gov>
Date: January 30, 2017 at 11:13:22 AM EST
To: "Germann, Sandy" <Germann.Sandy@epa.gov>, "Grantham, Nancy" <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: ICYMI: Rouge social media feds growing concern

Rouge social media feds growing concern

Unauthorized posts from official federal government Twitter accounts have become a growing concern.

Unauthorized posts from official federal government Twitter accounts have become a growing concern, the Associated Press reports.

According to legal experts, employees who use official social media accounts of the federal government to make statements that were not authorized can be prosecuted under federal hacking laws, the article states.

Specifically, current and former employees who publish unauthorized messages on official accounts could be prosecuted under the U.S. Computer Fraud and Abuse Act, which prohibits someone from exceeding authorized access to computers, the report notes.

Tim Torma
Senior Advisor
U.S. EPA Office of Policy
202-566-2864

Message

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Sent: 1/27/2017 11:56:34 AM
To: Zito, Kelly [ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV]; Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Region 9 media event planned for **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Have not forgotten this – fyi

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Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) **(mobile)**

From: Zito, Kelly
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2017 2:19 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Region 9 media event planned for **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

From: Keener, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2017 11:17 AM
To: Zito, Kelly <ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV>
Subject: Region 9 media event planned for **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

This media advisory is for a February 1 event at a Los Angeles area farmer's market that we are hosting to **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) If the event goes forward, we would issue a press release about it to LA media.

Bill Keener
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. EPA - Region 9
San Francisco, CA
Phone: (415) 972-3940

Message

From: Grantham, Nancy [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=12A3C2ED7158417FB0BB1B1B72A8CFB0-GRANTHAM, NANCY]
Sent: 2/21/2017 6:36:19 PM
To: Reeder, John [Reeder.John@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: CLOSE HOLD

Thanks john .. I would like to join the emergency response briefing – given the comms processes now in place ..thanks ng

Nancy Grantham
Office of Public Affairs
US Environmental Protection Agency
202-564-6879 (desk)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

(mobile)

From: Reeder, John
Sent: Tuesday, February 21, 2017 1:32 PM
To: 2017HQfirstassistants <2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov>
Cc: Anderson, Denise <anderson.denise@epa.gov>; Jackson, Ryan (Inhofe) <Ryan_Jackson@inhofe.senate.gov>; Schnare, David <schnare.david@epa.gov>; Flynn, Mike <Flynn.Mike@epa.gov>; Hale, Michelle <hale.michelle@epa.gov>
Subject: CLOSE HOLD

Senior Leaders,

We are adjusting to a significant shift in the Administrator's plans this week...now setting up "general overview" meetings for WEDNESDAY, February 22.

THE MEETINGS BELOW ARE BEING BILLED AS "FIRST ROUND," WITH MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR DETAILED BRIEFS AS NEEDED.
ADDITIONAL OFFICES/PROGRAMS WILL BE ADDED LATER...THIS IS JUST THE START

Wednesday, February 22

8:30-9:15 OCFO & budget
10-10:30 Emergency response overview, visit EOC, COOP briefing (OARM should be represented)
10:40 11:20 OAR structure, mission/function, high level issues (OAR conf room...please send room number to Denise Anderson)
11:30-12:15 OW structure, mission/function, high level issues (OW conf room...please send room number to Denise Anderson)
1:10-1:50 OCSPP structure, mission/function, high level issues (OCSPP conf room...please send room number to Denise Anderson)
2:00-2:45 OLEM structure, mission/function, high level issues (OLEM conf room...please send room number to Denise Anderson)
3:00-3:45 OECA structure, mission/function, high level issues (OECA conf room...please send room number to Denise Anderson)
4:00-5:00 OGC (billed as "general"), Administrator's office...will confirm ASAP

John E. Reeder
202 564 6082 (direct)

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Sent: 5/5/2017 5:13:43 PM
To: Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]; Sowell, Sarah [Sowell.Sarah@epa.gov]; Reeder, John [Reeder.John@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Sammie Finalists embargoed press release
Attachments: 2017 Sammies finalists news release Embargoed.pdf

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Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) **(mobile)**

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Sent: 5/4/2017 2:18:04 PM
To: Vizian, Donna [Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]; Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]
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Sent: 5/2/2017 3:47:52 PM
To: Grevatt, Peter [Grevatt.Peter@epa.gov]; Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]
CC: Burneson, Eric [Burneson.Eric@epa.gov]; Thompkins, Anita [Thompkins.Anita@epa.gov]; McClain, Jennifer [McClain.Jennifer@epa.gov]; Travers, David [Travers.David@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: NRDC Report

Thanks

From: Grevatt, Peter
Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2017 11:46 AM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>
Cc: Burneson, Eric <Burneson.Eric@epa.gov>; Thompkins, Anita <Thompkins.Anita@epa.gov>; McClain, Jennifer <McClain.Jennifer@epa.gov>; Travers, David <Travers.David@epa.gov>
Subject: NRDC Report

EPA system delayed delivery of Erik's email. Here is the report, that just arrived in my inbox

From: Olson, Erik [<mailto:eolson@nrdc.org>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2017 10:13 AM
To: Grevatt, Peter <Grevatt.Peter@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Just left you a voicemail

Sure. Here is the report. it's embargoed until 11:00 so please no statement until after then and please hold close until the embargo is lifted. happy to discuss. Thanks!
Erik

ERIK D. OLSON
Director, Health & Environment Program
Senior Strategic Director Food & Health

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From: Grevatt, Peter [<mailto:Grevatt.Peter@epa.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2017 8:38 AM

To: Olson, Erik

Subject: Just left you a voicemail

Hi Erik. Can you send me a copy of the report you are releasing today?

Message

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Sent: 2/9/2017 11:03:34 PM
To: Gray, David [gray.david@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Document1 (003).docx bio 3
Attachments: Document1 (003).docx

As discussed .. close hold

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Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

(mobile)

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To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: Document1 (003).docx bio 3

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Sent: 2/9/2017 8:13:24 PM
To: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: RESENDING RE: NANCY Fwd: Seeking clarification regarding your comment on the Pebble project

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) ...thanks ng

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Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (mobile)

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Hi Nancy,

This reporter is calling.

Assuming that the answer to her question must be that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

And we can leave it at that. Yes?

From: Valentine, Julia
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2017 10:28 AM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: NANCY Fwd: Seeking clarification regarding your comment on the Pebble project

How do you want to handle?

Julia P. Valentine
Office of Media Relations
202.564.2663
Sent from USEPA iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
From: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)>
Date: February 9, 2017 at 10:16:23 AM EST
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Seeking clarification regarding your comment on the Pebble project
Reply-To: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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I will talk with Marianne ..thanks

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Sent: 7/31/2019 10:38:40 AM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: For Review - OIG Draft Report - EPA Failed to Develop Required Benefits and Cost Analyses and Assess Impacts on Children's Health for the Proposed Glider Repeal Rule (Project No. OA&E-FY19-0053)
Attachments: Glider Rulemaking Draft 07-22-19.docx; ATT00001.htm

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Wooden-Aguilar, Helena" <Wooden-Aguilar.Helena@epa.gov>
Date: July 23, 2019 at 7:53:09 AM EDT
To: "DeBell, Kevin" <debell.kevin@epa.gov>
Cc: "Grantham, Nancy" <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>, "Richardson, RobinH" <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: For Review - OIG Draft Report - EPA Failed to Develop Required Benefits and Cost Analyses and Assess Impacts on Children's Health for the Proposed Glider Repeal Rule (Project No. OA&E-FY19-0053)

Close hold. Sharing for awareness and because RJ was interviewed. I have reached out to OAES as the coordinate OIG report activities. I may need your help with ensuring this is on the IO's radar.

It's draft and we have 15 days to identify factual inaccuracies and recommendations. Juanita is setting up a meeting with oar and OP and I asked her to include me. I cc'd you on the message.

I have looped in Robin and Nancy for awareness.

Helena

Helena Wooden-Aguilar
Acting Deputy Associate Administrator
Office of Policy
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
202-564-0792 (Work)

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

 Cell)
wooden-aguilar.helena@epa.gov

From: Gilbride, Patrick
Sent: Monday, July 22, 2019 3:23 PM
To: Bolen, Brittany <bolen.brittany@epa.gov>; Idsal, Anne <idsal.anne@epa.gov>
Cc: Benton, Michael <benton.michael@epa.gov>; Wooden-Aguilar,

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<charmley.william@epa.gov>; Sheehan, Charles
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Christensen, Kevin <Christensen.Kevin@epa.gov>; El-Zoghbi, Christine
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Please provide a written or an oral response to the findings and recommendations in this draft report within 15 calendar days of the draft report date (or by COB August 6, 2019). The response should address the factual accuracy of the draft report and indicate whether you concur or do not concur with each finding and the recommendations. The response should also indicate planned completion dates for the recommendation. If you do not concur with the recommendations, please provide any alternative actions you wish to be considered for the final report. Your response should identify any corrective actions already initiated or planned. The final report will include an assessment of your response, and we reserve the right to modify our report in light of your response. Please email both an Adobe PDF and a Microsoft Word version of any written response to gilbride.patrick@epa.gov.

We appreciate the coordination and assistance provided by your staff. If you have any questions, please contact me at 303-312-6969 or Alli Dutton, Project Manager, at 215-814-2349.

Thanks,
Pat

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To: Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]; Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]; Kaiser, Sven-Erik [Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov]; Borum, Denis [Borum.Denis@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: EPA Withdraws Outdated, Preemptive Proposed Determination to Restrict Use of the Pebble Deposit Area as a Disposal Site - Preview

Close hold – quote may not be final yet thanks ng

From: Abboud, Michael
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2019 12:12 PM
To: Leopold, Matt (OGC) <Leopold.Matt@epa.gov>; Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov>; Willey, Katharine <willey.katharine@epa.gov>; Fotouhi, David <Fotouhi.David@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>
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Hey everyone quick update. This is ready to roll at 2pm eastern from Region 10 with amplification from HQ. This has been shared with Jen as well under embargo.

From: EPA Press Office <press@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2019 12:07 PM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Subject: EPA Withdraws Outdated, Preemptive Proposed Determination to Restrict Use of the Pebble Deposit Area as a Disposal Site - Preview



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From: Grantham, Nancy [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=12A3C2ED7158417FB0BB1B1B72A8CFB0-GRANTHAM, NANCY]
Sent: 7/29/2019 10:39:09 PM
To: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: just talked with henry -

Thnks

From: Abboud, Michael
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2019 6:22 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: just talked with henry -

Got it shut down thank you.

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2019 6:14 PM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: just talked with henry -

He said that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) and he suggests that you
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Does that work for you ? thanks ng

Nancy Grantham
Principal Deputy Associate Administrator
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Office of Public Affairs
202-564-6879 (desk)
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) **(cell)**
grantham.nancy@epa.gov

Message

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Sent: 7/22/2019 12:06:54 PM
To: Hubbard, Carolyn [Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov]; Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer [Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: woould you both be available for a call now or at noon - 15 min?

Agree on close hold

From: Hubbard, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, July 22, 2019 8:02 AM
To: Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer <Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: woould you both be available for a call now or at noon - 15 min?

Yes I will do a statement but then I think we should keep it just within a small group in case we need it and not share it widely.

Carolyn Hubbard
Communications Director
EPA Office of Research and Development
202-564-2189

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On Jul 22, 2019, at 7:54 AM, Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer <Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov> wrote:

Wouldn't hurt to be prepared

Jennifer Orme-Zavaleta, PhD
Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator for Science
Office of Research and Development
US Environmental Protection Agency

DC 202-564-6620
RTP 919-541-2283

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Monday, July 22, 2019 7:38 AM
To: Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer <Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov>; Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: woould you both be available for a call now or at noon - 15 min?

Since there is an updated plan – do we still need a statement? Might be best to be prepared just in case
thanks ng

From: Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2019 11:52 AM
To: Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: woould you both be available for a call now or at noon - 15 min?

Will dial you both up at noon – won't be long

thanks

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From: Hubbard, Carolyn
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2019 11:51 AM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Cc: Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer <Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: woould you both be available for a call now or at noon - 15 min?

I'm on leave this afternoon but am happy to call in from where ever I am, let me know.

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On Jul 18, 2019, at 11:46 AM, Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

Could do noon

From: Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2019 11:46 AM
To: Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: woould you both be available for a call now or at noon - 15 min?

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Sent: 6/17/2019 11:57:34 AM
To: Jefferson, Gayle [Jefferson.Gayle@epa.gov]; HQSECURITY [HQSECURITY@epa.gov]; Myers, Kevin [Myers.Kevin@epa.gov]; Bellerose, William [bellerose.william@epa.gov]; Ovalle, Art [Ovalle.Arturo@epa.gov]; Petrole, Maryann [Petrole.Maryann@epa.gov]; Jackson, Yvette [Jackson.Yvette@epa.gov]
CC: Simbanin, Cynthia [Simbanin.Cynthia@epa.gov]; Stewart, Neil [Stewart.Neil@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Large Events this week

Thanks

From: Jefferson, Gayle
Sent: Monday, June 17, 2019 7:56 AM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; HQSECURITY <HQSECURITY@epa.gov>; Myers, Kevin <Myers.Kevin@epa.gov>; Bellerose, William <Bellerose.William@epa.gov>; Ovalle, Art <Ovalle.Arturo@epa.gov>; Petrole, Maryann <Petrole.Maryann@epa.gov>; Jackson, Yvette <Jackson.Yvette@epa.gov>
Cc: Simbanin, Cynthia <Simbanin.Cynthia@epa.gov>; Stewart, Neil <Stewart.Neil@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Large Events this week

Thanks Nancy – as you know, the sooner we get the names, the better.

Also, Yvette is on leave this week – fyi.

And, Neil Stewart is Art, James and Bill's first line supervisor, so please make certain he is always copied on requests to his employees – thanks so much.

Gayle

Gayle L. Jefferson
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Direct Number: (202)564-1630
Cell Number: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Monday, June 17, 2019 7:54 AM
To: HQSECURITY <HQSECURITY@epa.gov>; Myers, Kevin <Myers.Kevin@epa.gov>; Bellerose, William <Bellerose.William@epa.gov>; Ovalle, Art <Ovalle.Arturo@epa.gov>; Jefferson, Gayle <Jefferson.Gayle@epa.gov>; Petrole, Maryann <Petrole.Maryann@epa.gov>; Jackson, Yvette <Jackson.Yvette@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: Large Events this week

Heads up that there are 2 large events this week –

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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) – may require parking in north courtyard – media event – will get names as soon as we have them – We should have a meeting on this one on Tuesday

Thanks ng

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Sent: 6/17/2019 11:54:15 AM
To: Glazier, Kelly [Glazier.Kelly@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Large Events this week

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Monday, June 17, 2019 7:54 AM
To: HQSECURITY <HQSECURITY@epa.gov>; Myers, Kevin <Myers.Kevin@epa.gov>; Bellerose, William <Bellerose.William@epa.gov>; Ovalle, Art <Ovalle.Arturo@epa.gov>; Jefferson, Gayle <Jefferson.Gayle@epa.gov>; Petrole, Maryann <Petrole.Maryann@epa.gov>; Jackson, Yvette <Jackson.Yvette@epa.gov>
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Sent: 7/16/2019 3:00:06 PM
To: Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]; Hubbard, Carolyn [Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Comms Materials Tire Crumb

Please do not share further .. this is a very close hold thanks ng

From: Bowles, Jack
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2019 10:48 AM
To: Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Comms Materials Tire Crumb

Good Morning,

I have one proposed edit to the first Q&A. Otherwise, everything looks great. As you know this release will be of significant interest to many local governments across the country.

Best,

Jack

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2019 5:47 AM
To: Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Bowles, Jack <Bowles.Jack@epa.gov>; Kaiser, Sven-Erik <Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov>; Moody, Christina <Moody.Christina@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Comms Materials Tire Crumb

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Hubbard, Carolyn" <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>
Date: July 15, 2019 at 3:39:13 PM EDT
To: "Grantham, Nancy" <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>, "Drinkard, Andrea" <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>, "Sauerhage, Maggie" <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>
Subject: Comms Materials Tire Crumb

Here's the desk statement - same as before and the priority QA document. Still looking at next week, possibly Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Sent: 7/15/2019 9:22:42 PM
To: Briskin, Jeanne [Briskin.Jeanne@epa.gov]
CC: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Comms Materials Tire Crumb
Attachments: Tire Crumb Desk Statement Revised 7 8 2019.docx; ATT00001.htm; Priority QandAs_Tire Crumb_July 8_2019_DDD JOZ.docx; ATT00002.htm; Tire Crumb Update for Administrator 7 8 2019.docx

So you know this will be going out next week at some point.

This is close hold for now.

Thanks ng

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Monday, July 15, 2019 5:21 PM
To: Kasper, Amanda <Kasper.Amanda@epa.gov>; Darwin, Veronica <darwin.veronica@epa.gov>; Doyle, Brett <doyle.brett@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Comms Materials Tire Crumb

All – as mentioned in the Sr. Leadership meeting today.

Thanks ng

From: Hubbard, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, July 15, 2019 3:39 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>
Subject: Comms Materials Tire Crumb

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Sent: 7/15/2019 9:08:21 PM
To: Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]
CC: Haman, Patricia [Haman.Patricia@epa.gov]; Thundiyil, Karen [Thundiyil.Karen@epa.gov]; Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]; Vela, Austin [Vela.Austin@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Air trends materials
Attachments: DRAFT Press Release Air Trends 2019 release.docx; 2019 Air Trends tough Q&A.docx; 2019 Air Trends Report Comms Planv2.docx

Still a close hold and timing may change thanks ng

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Monday, July 15, 2019 6:46 AM
To: Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Air trends materials

Pulled out the press release that has the draft quote thanks ng

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From: Grantham, Nancy

Sent: Friday, July 12, 2019 5:59 PM

To: Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>

Subject: Air trends materials

All –

Attached are the comms for the air trends report announcement Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) including a draft press release and social media.

The press release needs an Administrator quote.

Thanks ng

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From: Grantham, Nancy [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=12A3C2ED7158417FB0BB1B1B72A8CFB0-GRANTHAM, NANCY]
Sent: 6/25/2019 10:02:50 PM
To: McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Animal Testing Messaging and Rollout
Attachments: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) DRAFT internal deliberative 61919.docx

Per our discussion thanks ng

From: Strauss, Linda
Sent: Thursday, June 20, 2019 3:30 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Messaging and Rollout

From this AM.

From: Dunn, Alexandra
Sent: Thursday, June 20, 2019 10:16 AM
To: Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>
Cc: Bolen, Derrick <bolen.derrick@epa.gov>; Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>; Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>; Humphreys, Hayly <humphreys.hayly@epa.gov>; Vance, Eric <Vance.Eric@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>
Subject: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Messaging and Rollout

To confirm, I understand that Linda Strauss and OCSP commms will develop the package of materials for tomorrow's

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

The latest memo is attached here. I've been asking it to be close hold since it is for the Administrator's signature and we're waiting for his final sign off.

The Goal is the Heart of it Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Alexandra Dapolito Dunn, Esq.
Assistant Administrator
Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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dunn.alexandra@epa.gov

From: Dunn, Alexandra
Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 9:09 PM
To: Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>
Cc: Bolen, Derrick <bolen.derrick@epa.gov>; Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>; Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>; Humphreys, Hayly <humphreys.hayly@epa.gov>; Vance, Eric <Vance.Eric@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Heads up

Thanks Corry. Hopefully our package is 90 percent of what you need.

Also we to finalize communications on the **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** which I believe **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** Let me know who I can work with in OPA to pull some tweets and a press release together. We kept this project close hold **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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Alexandra Dapolito Dunn, Esq.
Assistant Administrator
Office of Chemical Safety & Pollution Prevention
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Washington, DC

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 19, 2019, at 8:58 PM, Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov> wrote:

I will have our communications plan in the morning. I want to make a few tweaks before sending around.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 19, 2019, at 8:15 PM, Bolen, Derrick <bolen.derrick@epa.gov> wrote:

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Thank you,
Derrick Bolen

On Jun 19, 2019, at 7:52 PM, Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov> wrote:

For sure. Derrick has the latest run of show I provided edits to just now.
He's going to circulate shortly I believe .

On Jun 19, 2019, at 7:37 PM, Jackson, Ryan
<jackson.ryan@epa.gov> wrote:

This will be perfect.

Tate can you help Derrick with room set up for the meeting?

-----Original Message-----

From: Bennett, Tate

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 5:20 PM

To: Humphreys, Hayly <humphreys.hayly@epa.gov>

Cc: Dunn, Alexandra <dunn.alexandra@epa.gov>;
Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>;
Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>; Bolen, Derrick
<bolen.derrick@epa.gov>; Vance, Eric
<Vance.Eric@epa.gov>; Konkus, John
<konkus.john@epa.gov>

Subject: Heads up

Lead dust moved back to Wheeler's office.

Message

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Sent: 4/29/2019 9:31:19 PM
To: Fitzpatrick, Kacey [Fitzpatrick.Kacey@epa.gov]; Hubbard, Carolyn [Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov]
CC: Holsman, Marianne [Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov]; Skadowski, Suzanne [Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov]; MacIntyre, Mark [Macintyre.Mark@epa.gov]; Dunbar, Bill [dunbar.bill@epa.gov]; Mutter, Andrew [mutter.andrew@epa.gov]; Lisa McClain-Vanderpool (Mcclain-Vanderpool.Lisa@epa.gov) [Mcclain-Vanderpool.Lisa@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Draft PFAS Grants Press Release4-18 jm edits 2_AD.docx -- needs an approved quote
Attachments: Draft PFAS Grants Press Release4-18 jm edits 2_AD_CB.docx

This will go out **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Please close hold until **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Thanks ng

From: Beach, Christopher
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2019 5:01 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Draft PFAS Grants Press Release4-18 jm edits 2_AD.docx -- needs an approved quote

Here is updated and approved quote. Thanks!

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2019 7:14 AM
To: Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: Draft PFAS Grants Press Release4-18 jm edits 2_AD.docx -- needs an approved quote

Hi – this includes Jess and Andrea edits – needs an approved quote through chris beach thank ng

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Sent: 4/1/2019 3:54:07 PM
To: Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]
Subject: that thing i told you was signed is a close hold thanks ng

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Sent: 3/15/2019 7:56:38 PM
To: White, Terri-A [White.Terri-A@epa.gov]
CC: Nitsch, Chad [Nitsch.Chad@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Response to Chesapeake Bay Inquiry

Great .. thanks ng

From: White, Terri-A
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 3:14 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Cc: Nitsch, Chad <Nitsch.Chad@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Response to Chesapeake Bay Inquiry

Hi Nancy,

This tv reporter in DC contacted us again today, asking to speak to someone who can speak for the Administration about the proposed cuts to the Chesapeake Bay Program. We had previously provided the response OCFO sent us. I just want you to be aware of his request to speak with someone, and for you to see the response we got back from him yesterday.

I plan to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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This is the story he ran yesterday <https://www.wusa9.com/video/news/in-focus-the-epas-chesapeake-bay-program/65-d10d89e0-89ac-4ab7-b76b-4fbaae52044f> , which is actually positive coverage of EPA's role in the clean-up of the Chesapeake Bay.

Terri

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From: Sternberg, David
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:39 PM
To: White, Terri-A <White.Terri-A@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Response to Chesapeake Bay Inquiry

FYI

From: Broom, Scott <sbroom@wusa9.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:00 PM

To: Sternberg, David <Sternberg.David@epa.gov>

Cc: Aunkst, Dana <aunkst.dana@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Response to Chesapeake Bay Inquiry

This response makes no sense in relation to the email I sent Aunkst and your science coordinator, which was a request for a background conversation about unique ways I might illustrate the value of the Chesapeake Bay Program.

The Program's communications manager is unavailable with no back up in the midst of an effort to defund her employer which is mystifying to me.

Perhaps this is not the annualized defunding outrage or crisis the advocacy community suggests?

Notwithstanding the political environment which might make the program reluctant to appear critical of the administration, surely there might be a way to assist a reporter's earnest effort to do something more creative than talk to a member of congress or other proxies like the Bay Foundation who will express predictable outrage.

"Predictable" is not my business.

Im certain Congress will restore the funds as it always has — but in this case, it's in spite of the Program's communications efforts.

This is an opportunity to educate the public.
Instead, I've learned nothing from the people who know the most about it.

I'm producing a story today regardless at the Blue Plains Plant.

Too bad I'm doing it with literally NO MEANINGFUL INPUT from the program itself.

I dont get it.

If you'd like to talk about it I'd be glad to make time between deadlines.

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Twitter: @ScottBroom
Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Sent from my iPhone/please excuse typos

On Mar 14, 2019, at 11:18 AM, Sternberg, David <Sternberg.David@epa.gov> wrote:

External Email – Be Suspicious of Attachments, Links and Requests for Login Information

Mr. Broom,

This is in response to your inquiry of yesterday to Dana Aunkst of the Chesapeake Bay Program. Please attribute to an EPA spokesperson if using for attribution.

As noted in our EPA's Budget in Brief, the proposal includes more than \$7M for the Chesapeake Bay program. Additional details on the Chesapeake Bay program will be available with the release of the Congressional Justification on March 18th.

David Sternberg
Press Officer
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Attached is the EPA Office of Inspector General (OIG) report, *Actions Needed to Strengthen Controls over the EPA Administrator's and Associated Staff's Travel* (Report No. 19-P-0155). This report will be available to the public on the OIG's website at www.epa.gov/oig.



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*Congressional Request and Hotline Report:
Compliance with the law
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Actions Needed to Strengthen Controls over the EPA Administrator's and Associated Staff's Travel

Report No. 19-P-0155

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Abbreviations

CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
FIAT	Fast International Approval of Travel database
FTR	Federal Travel Regulation
GSA	General Services Administration
OA	Office of the Administrator
OCFO	Office of the Chief Financial Officer
OGC	Office of General Counsel
OHS	Office of Homeland Security
OIG	Office of Inspector General
OITA	Office of International and Tribal Affairs
PSD	Protective Service Detail
RMDS	Resource Management Directive System

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At a Glance

Why We Did This Project

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Inspector General (OIG) received numerous congressional requests and hotline complaints expressing concerns about former EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt's travel, as well as that of those traveling with him. The objectives of this audit were to determine the frequency, cost and extent of the former Administrator's travel through December 31, 2017; whether the Federal Travel Regulation and applicable EPA travel policy and procedures were followed; and whether the EPA's policy and procedures were sufficiently designed to prevent fraud, waste and abuse with the Administrator's travel.

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What We Found

The OIG identified 40 trips and \$985,037 in costs associated with the former Administrator's travel for the 10-month period from March 1, 2017, to December 31, 2017. This covered 34 completed and six canceled trips and included costs incurred not only by the former Administrator but by his Protective Service Detail (PSD) and other staff. Of the 40 trips, 16 included travel to, or had stops in, Tulsa, Oklahoma—the location of the former Administrator's personal residence.

Actions need to be taken to strengthen controls over Administrator travel to help prevent the potential for fraud, waste and abuse.

We estimated excessive costs of \$123,942 regarding the former Administrator's and accompanying PSD agents' use of first/business-class travel because the exception that allowed for the travel accommodation was granted without sufficient justification and, initially, without appropriate approval authority. Although the EPA's travel policy is sufficiently designed to prevent fraud, waste and abuse and is consistent with the Federal Travel Regulation, we found that the policy did not initially outline who had the authority to approve the Administrator's travel authorizations and vouchers.

We also found that not all applicable provisions of the Federal Travel Regulation and/or EPA travel policy were followed. We identified:

- Improper granting of first/business-class exceptions.
- Unjustified use of non-contract air carriers.
- Improper approval of lodging costs above per diem.
- Missing detailed support for trips with stops in Tulsa.
- Improper approval of international business-class travel.
- Inaccurate and incomplete international trip reports.

The former Administrator's use of military/chartered flights was justified and approved in accordance with the Federal Travel Regulation and EPA policy.

Recommendations and Agency Response

We recommend that the agency determine whether the estimated excessive airfare of \$123,942 and any additional costs through the former Administrator's resignation in July 2018 should be recovered; implement controls to verify that requirements are met for the use of first/business-class travel; enforce requirements for use of a city-pair contract carrier; confirm adequate cost comparisons; and clarify requirements for preparing international trip reports and verify for accuracy and completeness. Of the report's 14 recommendations, we consider the agency's planned corrective actions acceptable for four of the recommendations while the other 10 are unresolved.



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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Actions Needed to Strengthen Controls over the EPA Administrator's
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FROM: Charles J. Sheehan, Deputy Inspector General

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This is our report on the subject audit conducted by the Office of Inspector General (OIG) of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The project number for this audit was OA-FY17-0382. This report contains findings that describe the problems the OIG has identified and the corrective actions the OIG recommends. This report represents the opinion of the OIG and does not necessarily represent the final EPA position. Final determinations on matters in this report will be made by EPA managers in accordance with established audit resolution procedures.

Action Required

Of our 14 recommendations, we consider the planned correctives actions for four of the recommendations to be completed or acceptable and the remaining 10 recommendations (1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 12, 13 and 14) to be unresolved. In accordance with EPA Manual 2750, the resolution process begins immediately with the issuance of the report. We are requesting that the agency initiate the audit resolution process within 30 days of final report issuance. If resolution is not reached, the agency is required to complete and submit a dispute resolution request to the appropriate official to continue resolution.

We will post this report to our website at www.epa.gov/oig.

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Chapter 1

Introduction

Purpose

As a result of numerous congressional requests and hotline complaints, the Office of Inspector General (OIG) of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) conducted an audit of the EPA's adherence to its policy, procedures and oversight controls pertaining to Administrator Scott Pruitt's travel. Pruitt resigned as Administrator in July 2018, after our audit was initiated. Our audit objectives were to determine:

- The frequency, cost and extent of the former Administrator's travel through December 31, 2017.
- Whether applicable EPA travel policy and procedures were followed for the former Administrator's travel, as well as security personnel and other EPA staff traveling with or in advance of the former Administrator.
- Whether EPA's policy and procedures are sufficiently designed to prevent fraud, waste and abuse with the Administrator's travel.

Background

The EPA OIG received numerous congressional requests and hotline complaints on then Administrator Pruitt's travel. The initial hotline complaint, on July 24, 2017, raised concern about Pruitt's frequent travel to and from his home state of Oklahoma at taxpayer expense. On July 28, 2017, the OIG received a congressional request to audit the EPA's adherence to policies and procedures for the Administrator's travel, and whether the EPA's applicable oversight controls are sufficient to prevent fraud, waste and abuse. While the OIG's initial scope included an audit of Pruitt's travel through July 31, 2017, subsequent requests and hotline complaints prompted the OIG to extend its audit scope twice to cover more of Pruitt's travel—through September 30, 2017, and then through December 31, 2017.

Federal Travel Requirements

The Federal Travel Regulation (FTR), issued by the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA), is codified in 41 CFR Chapters 300 through 304. The FTR implements statutory requirements and executive branch policies for travel by federal civilian employees and others authorized to travel at the government's expense. The GSA promulgates the FTR to: (a) interpret statutory and other policy requirements in a manner that balances the need to assure that official

travel is conducted in a responsible manner with the need to minimize administrative costs, and (b) communicate the resulting policies in a clear manner to federal agencies and employees.

EPA Policy and Procedures

The EPA's travel policy—Resource Management Directive System (RMDS) 2550B, *Official Travel*, applies to EPA and other federal employees who travel using agency funds. The policy also addresses travel that nonfederal sources fund for EPA employees.

The version of the travel policy applicable to the period of our audit was issued on April 17, 2015. The policy states that the FTR is the first source of reference for all federal travel. To minimize repetition, the EPA travel policy does not repeat each travel entitlement that is listed in the FTR. Rather, the policy discusses the guidelines for the EPA's "discretionary allowances." The policy further states that all EPA employees and travel-authorizing officials shall know and comply with the FTR and EPA travel policy and procedures, and all travel requests and authorizations require compliance with the FTR and EPA policy.

Responsible Offices

Various EPA offices are involved in the Administrator's travel:

- **Office of the Administrator (OA).** OA staff plan and coordinate the Administrator's travel. These responsibilities include screening requests for the Administrator's travel engagements; making travel arrangements; coordinating with the Protective Service Detail (PSD) for protection of the Administrator; and preparing, reviewing and approving travel authorizations and vouchers.
- **Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO).** The OCFO manages the EPA travel program for compliance with federal regulations and EPA policy, and monitors the travel program's effectiveness. The OCFO's Office of the Controller issues policies and procedures for official EPA travel. The OCFO's Cincinnati Finance Center manages the EPA Concur travel system, maintains the travel help desk, assists with travel training requests, serves as the EPA travel payment office, and pays proper travel claims (e.g., allowable expenses with required receipts).
- **Office of International and Tribal Affairs (OITA).** This office leads the EPA's international and tribal engagements; works with other federal agencies and international countries to address bilateral, regional and global environmental challenges; and advances U.S. foreign policy objectives. The Office of Management and International Services within OITA is responsible for providing the full range of necessary management and

administrative functions that support the agency's international programs and coordinates cross-cutting administrative support services.

- **Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance.** The Office of Criminal Enforcement, Forensics and Training, within the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, is delegated the responsibility for providing protective services to the Administrator. The PSD, which provides these protective services, falls within the Office of Criminal Enforcement, Forensics and Training.

Prior Audit Reports

On December 11, 2013, we issued *Early Warning Report: Internal Controls and Management Actions Concerning John C. Beale's Travel* (Report No. 14-P-0037). The OIG found that the EPA's lack of management oversight and weak internal controls enabled travel abuses by John Beale, a former Senior Policy Advisor for the Office of Air and Radiation. These travel abuses included:

- Using premium-class travel.
- Incurring lodging expenses above per diem amounts.
- Charging questionable travel and transportation costs.

We made no recommendations in the early warning report because we only conducted the audit to determine the policies that facilitated Beale's fraud.

In addition to the above early warning report, the EPA OIG issued a report on May 10, 2011, *EPA Needs to Strengthen Management Controls Over Its Travel Authorization Process* (Report No. 11-P-0223). We reported that the EPA travel program lacked sufficient management controls to properly route and authorize travel documents. Also, the EPA travel system allowed unauthorized personnel to self-approve travel and did not control routing lists to verify independent review of travel. The report did not identify any instances of fraud. We made four recommendations to the agency. The agency completed corrective actions in September 2011.

On September 22, 2015, the OIG issued a report, *EPA Needs Better Management Controls for Approval of Employee Travel* (Report No. 15-P-0294). The report identified weak internal controls that made EPA travel dollars vulnerable to fraud, waste and abuse. We recommended that the EPA evaluate the effectiveness of its *Executive Approval Framework*, review quarterly reports for frequent travelers traveling to the same location, and submit irregularities to the OCFO. We also recommended that the EPA update its travel policy to reflect changes pertaining to lodging, international trip reports and travel card refresher training; and that the EPA reconcile annual premium-class travel reports. The agency completed corrective actions in May 2016.

On September 4, 2018, the OIG issued another report, *EPA Asserts Statutory Law Enforcement Authority to Protect Its Administrator but Lacks Procedures to Assess Threats and Identify the Proper Level of Protection* (Report No. 18-P-0239). The OIG made numerous recommendations for corrective action; however, only one finding and recommendation, pertaining to the level of protection of the Administrator, was relevant to this audit. Details on what we found in that prior report plus the agency's response follow:

- The OIG found that the PSD did not conduct a threat analysis to determine the level of protection necessary or desired for former Administrator Pruitt. Rather the PSD used an August 16, 2017, memorandum, titled *Summary of Pending and Recent Threat Investigations*, requested by the agency from the OIG, to support the increased level of protection. In Chapter 4 of this current report, the section *First/Business-Class Exceptions Granted Without Sufficient Justification to Support Security Concern* discusses the PSD's use of the OIG report to justify the granting of first/business-class exceptions based on security concerns.
- On April 3, 2018, in response to Report No. 18-P-0239, Office of Criminal Enforcement, Forensics and Training management asserted that the office was performing a "threat assessment" as part of its threat analysis every 90 days for operational purposes. Also, the Office of Criminal Enforcement, Forensics and Training said that it would be working with other EPA offices and the OIG to determine which office is best positioned to perform threat assessments in the future.¹ We recommended that the agency complete a threat analysis on a regular basis to identify the proper protection required for the Administrator. The recommendation is unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

Scope and Methodology

We conducted this audit from September 2017 to November 2018, in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives. We believe that the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis for the findings and conclusions presented in this report.

To determine the frequency, cost and extent of the former Administrator's travel, including the travel costs of his security detail and other staff who accompanied

¹ Protection of the Administrator and determining which EPA office is best positioned to perform threat assessments is an internal agency decision; the OIG plays no role in these matters.

him, we obtained and analyzed travel data from the EPA's Compass Data Warehouse.²

To determine whether applicable EPA travel policy and procedures were followed for the former Administrator and others, we:

- Interviewed management and staff in the OA; OCFO; the Office of General Counsel; the Office of Criminal Enforcement, Forensics and Training; and OITA to determine the process used to approve and process authorizations and vouchers.
- Obtained and reviewed all travel vouchers and receipts for the former Administrator. For others, we selected a judgmental sample of vouchers and receipts for review.

To determine whether EPA policy and procedures are sufficiently designed to prevent fraud, waste and abuse with the Administrator's travel, we reviewed the policy and procedures, as well as travel documents, for compliance with the FTR.

² The Compass Data Warehouse is a collection of data from various EPA information systems, including Compass and the Travel Document System. The data in the warehouse are refreshed daily. Therefore, downloads from the warehouse represent accounting system data.

Chapter 2

Frequency, Cost and Extent of the Former Administrator's Official Travel

The OIG identified \$985,037 in travel costs associated with former Administrator Pruitt's official travel for the 10-month period from March 1, 2017, to December 31, 2017. This amount covered 40 planned trips—34 completed and six canceled—and included costs incurred by the former Administrator, the PSD and other staff. Of the 34 completed trips, 16 included travel to, or had stops in, Tulsa, Oklahoma—the location of the former Administrator's personal residence. The amount also covered costs for military and charter flights taken by the former Administrator. Details on audit issues and recommendations pertaining to the former Administrator's travel are in Chapters 3 and 4.

Travel costs include airfare, lodging, per diem, and other expenses.

Cost and Extent of Travel

Travel costs associated with the former Administrator's official travel totaled \$985,037, consisting of \$878,336 for the 34 trips taken (for breakdown of costs see Appendix A) and \$106,701 for the six trips canceled (for breakdown of costs see Appendix B). Based on data obtained from the EPA's Compass Data Warehouse, the former Administrator's first trip while at the EPA was on March 6, 2017, and his advance team started traveling on March 1, 2017. From March 6, 2017, to December 31, 2017, the former Administrator took 32 domestic and two international trips. Trip costs were incurred by the former Administrator, travel and advance staff, the PSD, OITA³ and other EPA offices.⁴ The travel costs also included military and charter flights paid outside of the EPA's travel management system.

Six trips planned for the former Administrator, including four domestic and two international, were canceled. According to the agency, four of the six trips were canceled due to circumstances outside of the EPA's control. Although trips were canceled, travelers incurred costs resulting from cancellation fees/no-show hotel charges and service fees. In some instances, the former Administrator's advance staff and PSD were in travel status prior to the trip cancellation, resulting in lodging, per diem, transportation and other miscellaneous travel costs. Canceled trips represent approximately 11 percent of the total costs incurred (\$106,701 of \$985,037). Table 1 provides a breakdown of costs incurred for all travel.

³ OITA staff are part of the advance team for international trips, helping with all aspects of the coordination and logistics because of their expertise on international travel.

⁴ Other EPA offices from which staff traveled with the former Administrator include the Office of Public Affairs, Office of Multimedia, Office of Public Engagement, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations, and Office of Policy.

Table 1: Total costs incurred for all travel

Trip type	No. trips	Former Administrator	Staff	PSD	Other*	Totals
Trips Taken:						
Domestic	32	\$85,131	\$203,443	\$301,865	\$65,692	\$656,131
International	2	26,629	91,544	67,962	36,069	222,205
Subtotal	34	\$111,761	\$294,987	\$369,827	\$101,761	\$878,336
Canceled:						
Domestic	4	\$731	\$3,633	\$4,179	-	\$8,543
International	2	1,995	41,273	54,889	-	98,158
Subtotal	6	\$2,726	\$44,907	\$59,069	-	\$106,701
% for canceled trips**		2.6%	42.1%	55.4%		100%
Total	40	\$114,487	\$339,894	\$428,896	\$101,761	\$985,037
% of Total		11.6%	34.5%	43.5%	10.3%	100%

Source: OIG analysis of travel data from the EPA's Compass Data Warehouse.

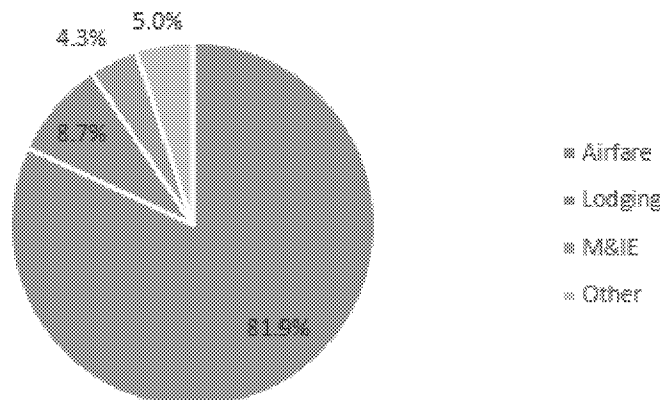
Note: Numbers in italics slightly off due to rounding.

* Other costs represent military and chartered flight costs.

** Costs for each category (former Administrator, Staff, PSD, Other) as a percentage of total costs for all canceled trips.

Former Administrator's Travel by Cost Category

The majority of the former Administrator's costs—approximately 82 percent—was for airfare. This included 16 trips with travel to, or stops in, Oklahoma, during which the former Administrator generally did not incur lodging or meals and incidental expenses every day. However, costs were still incurred by associated travelers. Figure 1 shows a breakdown of the former Administrator's costs by category; a detailed schedule is in Appendix C. We did not analyze the costs incurred by cost category for the PSD and staff from the OA, OITA and other EPA offices.

Figure 1: Former Administrator's costs by cost category

Source: OIG analysis of travel data from the EPA's Compass Data Warehouse and travel vouchers provided by the agency.

M&IE: Meals and incidental expenses

Analysis of the Former Administrator's Flights

Prior to May 2017, all 23 segments flown were coach class. For the remaining 112 flights, we found that between May and December 2017, 76.8 percent of the traveled flight segments for the former Administrator were first class, with only 11.6 percent each for business and coach class, as shown in Table 2.

Delta was the most frequently used airline (76.3 percent of the flights, or 103 of the 135 segments traveled), followed by American (19.3 percent of the flights, or 26 of the 135 segments traveled) and others (4.4 percent of the flights, or six of the 135 segments). Between May and December 2017, when the former Administrator flew first/business class, Delta usage jumped to 81.3 percent from 52.2 percent in March and April 2017. Travel records indicate that the former Administrator was a frequent flyer member with Delta, American and Southwest but not the other airlines used.

Table 2: Summary of former Administrator's flight segments (airlines and travel class)

Travel period (2017)	Total segments flown	Delta	American	Others*	First class	Business class	Coach class
March – April	23	12	10	1	0	0	23
% of Travel		52.2%	43.5%	4.3%			100%
May – December	112	91	16	5	86	13	13
% of Travel		81.3%	14.3%	4.4%	76.8%	11.6%	11.6%
Totals	135	103	26	6	86	13	36
		76.3%	19.3%	4.4%	63.7%	9.6%	26.7%

Source: OIG analysis of EPA travel data, and travel authorizations and vouchers from the Concur travel system.

* "Others" includes the following airlines: Emirate, JetBlue, Southwest and United.

Former Administrator's associated travelers

In addition to PSD agents who provide protective services, the former Administrator was accompanied by his scheduling team and agency senior advisors. On occasion, the former Administrator also was accompanied by the Chief of Staff, a communications specialist and a photographer.

The PSD and OA teams traveled separately and coordinated their own activities. For international travel, a representative from OITA also accompanied the teams. According to the OA's former Director of Scheduling and Advance, the former Administrator's scheduling team for domestic travel averaged one to two people from the OA who traveled one or two days ahead of him. For international travel, the scheduling team averaged two to three people from the OA for a 5-to-7-day period. Based on discussions with OA staff, the makeup of the Administrator's scheduling team varied based on the complexity of the trip (different locations, numbers of meetings, etc.).

The former Administrator's teams coordinated their travel planning with the Associate Administrator of Public Engagement, as well as other program offices that would have staff traveling based on the specific topics involved, and other senior leadership. The advance teams also considered all the former Administrator's travel-related activities and conducted site walk-throughs of all venues.

Our analysis showed that travel for the former Administrator's advance team generally extended through the end of the trips. Based on discussion with a member of the former Administrator's advance team, the staff were busy the entire trip. Once the former Administrator arrived, one person would go on to his next meeting place to make sure everything was ready while the other staff would stay behind to make sure the former Administrator's needs were met and everything proceeded smoothly. These activities were conducted separately from those conducted by the PSD.

Actions Taken

In response to the audit, the Administrator's office provided a draft version of proposed standard operating procedures for the planning and coordination of the Administrator's domestic and international trips, including activities by the advance team (non-PSD) and outside meeting requests. The agency also provided position descriptions outlining the major duties and responsibilities of the Administrator's advance team members, including the Director of Scheduling and Advance, Deputy Director of Scheduling and Advance, and Senior Advance Associate.

Frequency of Travel to Tulsa, Oklahoma

OIG analysis of travel data obtained from the EPA's Compass Data Warehouse showed that of the 34 trips the former Administrator took from March 2017 through December 2017, 16 trips of these trips (47 percent) were to, or had stops in, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Details are in Table 3.

Table 3: Trips to, or stops in, Tulsa

	Former Administrator's travel period*	Days of the week	Destination	Purpose of trip	Purpose of Tulsa stay
1	03/06/17 – 03/07/17	Mon – Tue	Scottsdale, AZ Tulsa, OK	Speaking	Personal
2	03/08/17 – 03/12/17	Wed – Sun	Houston, TX Tulsa, OK	Speaking	Personal
3	03/23/17 – 03/27/17	Fri – Tue	Oklahoma City, OK Tulsa, OK	Speaking	Personal
4	04/12/17 – 04/24/17	Thu – Wed	New York, NY Pittsburgh, PA Tulsa, OK Chicago, IL Columbia, MO Dallas, TX Naples, FL	Tour/speaking/ meeting	Speaking/ meeting
5	05/04/17 – 05/08/17	Thu – Mon	Tulsa, OK	Meeting	Meeting
6	05/11/17 – 05/15/17	Thu – Mon	Colorado Springs, CO Tulsa, OK	Speaking	Personal
7	05/19/17 – 05/22/17	Fri – Mon	Tulsa, OK	Facility tour	Facility tour
8	05/25/17 – 05/29/17	Thu – Mon	Tulsa, OK	Site tour	Site tour
9	06/22/17 – 06/26/17	Thu – Mon	Tulsa, OK	Facility tour/ meeting	Facility tour/ meeting
10	07/26/17 – 07/30/17	Wed – Sun	Tulsa, OK Oklahoma City, OK Guyton, OK	Meetings	Meetings
11	08/02/17 – 08/10/17	Wed – Thu	Indianapolis, IN Denver, CO Tulsa, OK Des Moines, IA Grand Forks, ND	Meetings	Personal
12	08/30/17 – 09/05/17	Wed – Tue	Corpus Christi, TX Tulsa, OK	Meetings	Personal
13	09/14/17 – 09/19/17	Thu – Tue	Houston, TX Tulsa, OK New York, NY	Tour/meeting/ media event	Personal
14	10/04/17 – 10/09/17	Wed – Mon	Cincinnati, OH Colorado Springs, CO Phoenix, AZ Tulsa, OK Lexington, KY	Speaking/ meeting	Personal
15	10/27/17 – 10/30/17	Fri – Mon	New Orleans, LA Tulsa, OK	Speaking	Personal
16	11/30/17 – 12/04/17	Thu – Mon	Louisville, KY Des Moines, IA Tulsa, OK	Speaking/ meetings	Personal

Source: OIG analysis of travel data downloaded from the EPA's Compass Data Warehouse.

* Travel period for the former Administrator's advance staff and PSD varied.

The travel period represents all dates covered by travel vouchers, including weekends and holidays. As shown in Table 3, the former Administrator frequently departed on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday from Washington, D.C., to Tulsa and

other locations, and returned to Washington on Monday or Tuesday of the following week. While the former Administrator was always accompanied by PSD agents, he was often also accompanied by staff from his office, some of whom also stayed over the weekend in Tulsa at their own expense.

For six of the 16 Tulsa trips, the former Administrator cited being on official business. The six trips (identified in Table 3: rows 4, 5 and 7–10) to Tulsa/Oklahoma City from Washington included such purposes as meetings and/or facility tours. These trips usually showed one official meeting and/or facility tour per trip.

The remaining 10 trips (identified in Table 3: rows 1–3, 6 and 11–16) included weekend stops at the former Administrator's residence in Tulsa. The travel documents showed no official business associated with most of these weekends. In fact, vouchers for most of these trips indicated that the former Administrator paid his own airfare to Tulsa for the weekend.

We identified no specific criteria that would limit the Administrator's travel to, or stops in, Tulsa for the weekend or otherwise. However, the FTR requires travelers to take the direct or usually traveled route, unless the agency approves otherwise. If an indirect route is used for personal convenience, government reimbursement is limited up to the cost of travel by a direct route. EPA policy under RMDS 2550B, Section IV, *Responsibilities*, also requires justification and approval to use an indirect route.

The FTR and EPA travel policy require a traveler to take the direct or usually traveled route.

The frequency and duration of the former Administrator's and his staff's trips to, and stops in, Tulsa can:

- Give the appearance that trips were being planned for the benefit of the former Administrator so that he could travel to his personal residence.
- Call into question the necessity of the trips.
- Result in additional travel time for the former Administrator's PSD agents and increased costs.

This topic is further discussed in Chapter 4's *Missing Detailed Support for Trips with Stops in Tulsa* section.

Actions Taken

No actions were taken.

Agency Comments and OIG Evaluation

The agency provided justification for the six canceled trips. We added the trip cancellation rationales to Appendix B of the report based on the information provided.

In addition, the agency's response to Chapter 2 included comments regarding the excessive costs discussed in Chapter 3 and the findings in Chapter 4 relating to the former Administrator's stops in Tulsa and the use of non-contract carriers. We provided general responses to the agency's Chapter 2 comments within Appendix D; more specific comments are provided with Chapters 3 and 4.

The full agency response and our comments on Chapter 2 are in Appendix D, OIG Responses 2 to 4.

Chapter 3

Improper Approvals for First/Business-Class Travel Resulted in Excessive Airfare

The former Administrator and his accompanying PSD agents incurred more travel costs than necessary or appropriate by flying first/business class. Agency officials requested and granted first/business-class exceptions to the former Administrator and the PSD agents who accompanied him based on the security exception allowed by the FTR. However, the exceptions were improperly granted. First, they lacked sufficient justification to support endangerment of the former Administrator's life—the agency's asserted basis for the security exception. Second, the exception for the former Administrator was approved by an agency official who initially did not have the appropriate approval authority. In Chapter 4 of this report, the section *First/Business-Class Exceptions Granted Without Sufficient Justification to Support Security Concern* discusses this issue in detail.

As shown in Table 4, we estimated excess airfare costs of \$123,942 associated with first/business-class trips taken by the former Administrator from March 2017 to December 2017. This amount consists of \$61,971 each for the former Administrator and the PSD agents accompanying him. The estimate for the former Administrator represents the difference between the first/business-class airfare claimed and the “city-pair” fare⁵ for coach class. According to the agency, due to security protocols, a PSD agent was required to sit near the former Administrator. Hence the agent would have incurred similar if not the same first/business-class airfare costs as the former Administrator. Therefore, we used the same estimate for the PSD agent accompanying the former Administrator. We believe that the inclusion of the PSD agents' travel costs was appropriate, as the PSD agents' class of travel was driven by the Administrator's class of travel.

Table 4: Excessive costs resulting from insufficient justification for first/business-class travel

Travel period	Destination	Airfare claimed*	City-pair fare**	Difference	Note
05/04/17 – 05/08/17	Tulsa, OK	\$848	\$585	\$263	
05/11/17 – 05/15/17	Colorado Springs, CO Tulsa, OK	2,691	669	2,022	
05/16/17 – 05/17/17	New York, NY	1,316	210	1,106	
05/19/17 – 05/22/17	Tulsa, OK	1,927	570	1,357	
05/25/17 – 05/29/17	Tulsa, OK	2,628	1,214	1,414	
06/05/17 – 06/06/17	New York, NY	1,588	210	1,378	
06/07/17 – 06/11/17	Cincinnati, OH Rome, Italy Bologna, Italy	6,688	925	5,763	

⁵ The City Pair Program was developed to provide discounted air passenger transportation services to federal government travelers. The program currently covers over 12,000 markets. “City-pair” fares are considerably lower than comparable commercial fares, saving the federal government billions of dollars annually.

Travel period	Destination	Airfare claimed*	City-pair fare**	Difference	Note
06/22/17 – 06/26/17	Tulsa, OK	2,604	570	2,034	
07/06/17 – 07/06/17	Birmingham/Wilsonville, AL	2,438	920	1,518	
07/07/17 – 07/07/17	Cochran, GA	1,847	486	1,361	
07/17/17 – 07/20/17	Salt Lake City, UT Minneapolis, MN Little Rock, AK	4,627	1,349	3,278	
07/24/17 – 07/24/17	Charleston, SC	1,154	392	762	
07/26/17 – 07/30/17	Tulsa, OK Oklahoma City, OK Guymon, OK	2,604	570	2,034	
08/02/17 – 08/10/17	Indianapolis, IN Denver, CO Tulsa, OK Des Moines, IA Grand Forks, ND	4,979	3,717	1,262	1
08/30/17 – 09/05/17	Corpus Christi, TX Tulsa, OK	3,703	622	3,081	2
09/14/17 – 09/19/17	Houston, TX Tulsa, OK New York, NY	3,330	953	2,377	
09/27/17 – 09/28/17	New York, NY	1,791	210	1,581	
10/04/17 – 10/09/17	Cincinnati, OH Colorado Springs, CO Phoenix, AZ Tulsa, OK Lexington, KY	4,813	1,876	2,937	
10/11/17 – 10/12/17	Jackson, MS	2,978	1,876	2,937	
10/19/17 – 10/20/17	Houston, TX Omaha, NE	3,610	1,319	2,291	
10/23/17 – 10/23/17	Nashville, TN	2,744	424	2,320	
10/27/17 – 10/30/17	New Orleans, LA Tulsa, OK	2,076	509	1,567	
11/08/17 – 11/08/17	Chicago, IL	1,172	222	950	
11/09/17 – 11/09/17	Kiawah Island, SC	2,866	310	2,566	
11/27/17 – 11/27/17	Orlando, FL	2,056	338	1,718	
11/30/17 – 12/04/17	Louisville, KY Des Moines, IA Tulsa, OK	2,016	823	1,193	
12/09/17 – 12/13/17	Rabat, Morocco	16,164	4,533	11,631	3
Totals		\$87,255	\$24,063	\$61,971	
Total unnecessary airfare for former Administrator				\$61,971	
Related costs for accompanying PSD agents				\$61,971	
Total estimate of unnecessary costs				\$123,942	

Source: OIG-generated table.

* Represents the amount claimed by former Administrator Pruitt for first/business-class travel.

** Federal government contract unrestricted coach fares (i.e., fares listed under GSA's Airline City Pairs) were used to calculate coach-class travel, except for those items discussed in Notes 1 through 3. For cities with multiple airports, we used the city-pair fare for the actual airports used by the former Administrator.

Note 1: This trip included two airline receipts for the travel period—one for flights taken August 2–4 and one for flights taken August 7–9. The

flights taken August 2–4 included travel from Washington, D.C., to Indianapolis, Indiana; then from Evansville, Indiana, to Denver, Colorado. As there is no city-pair fare from Evansville to Denver, for comparison, we used the coach-class fare purchased by a staff member who accompanied the former Administrator on all segments of the trip.

The August 7–9 flights included three different trips: Tulsa, Oklahoma, to Des Moines, Iowa; Des Moines to Fargo, North Dakota; and Grand Forks, North Dakota, to Dallas, Texas. We found no city-pair fares for the trips to Des Moines and Dallas. Unlike the prior travel period, we could not identify other staff who accompanied the former Administrator on all segments of the trip. Therefore, we were unable to identify a reasonable basis for estimating the coach-class fare. As such, we allowed the entire airfare claimed even though the amount included first-class travel for three of the six segments.

Note 2: This trip included flights from Tulsa, Oklahoma, to Corpus Christi, Texas; then return to Tulsa and from Tulsa to Washington, D.C., during the period August 30 through September 5. The stays in Tulsa before and after the official travel were for personal reasons.

There was no city-pair fare between Tulsa and Corpus Christi. As the Administrator's official duty station was Washington, D.C., consistent with the FTR and EPA travel policy we used city-pair fares between Corpus Christi and Washington as the basis for our calculation, as that would be the most direct and uninterrupted route for the official travel.

Note 3: This trip included travel from Washington D.C., to Rabat and Marrakesh, Morocco, and return. As there was no city-pair fare from Marrakesh to Washington, we used the coach-class fare of other staff who accompanied the former Administrator as the basis for our calculation.

As discussed in Chapter 1 of this report, in the *Scope and Methodology* section, we reviewed all travel vouchers and receipts for the former Administrator, which allowed us to better estimate the excess costs. However, for other travelers accompanying him, including the PSD, we selected a sample of vouchers and receipts for review. Therefore, we did not obtain or review the information needed to estimate the difference for all travelers as we did for the former Administrator.

Actions Taken

On April 22, 2019, the agency provided a schedule of its estimate of the excess costs for the PSD agents accompanying the former Administrator in first and business class. The schedule was provided to support its statement in the February 15, 2019, draft report response that PSD agents did not always travel with the former Administrator. The schedule showed there were no PSD agents

accompanying the former Administrator in first and business class on eight trips. The schedule also showed revised estimated excess airfare of \$35,980, down from the \$61,971 the OIG estimated for the PSD agents.

We performed a limited review of the April 22, 2019, PSD cost schedule and noted several discrepancies between the schedule and the documents in the EPA's official travel system, Concur. For example, for four of the trips, the agency's PSD cost schedule shows "No PSD/Staff Premium Travel Costs" while travel documents in Concur show PSD agents on the same first-class flights as the former Administrator. As a result of the noted discrepancies, we cannot rely on the PSD cost schedule provided by the agency. Our estimated excess airfare amount of \$61,971 for the PSD agents for first/business-class travel remains unchanged.

Moreover, the agency's conclusion that the former Administrator was not accompanied by PSD agents in first and business class for several trips undermines the agency's stated justification that the former Administrator's first/business-class flights were necessary for security reasons. The cornerstone of the agency's stated justification for PSD agents traveling first class was that the PSD agents could not sit in close proximity to properly protect the former Administrator when flying coach class. The agency's February 15, 2019, conclusion raises doubt as to whether it was truly necessary for the PSD agents to fly in close proximity to the former Administrator and thus whether any first/business-class airfares were justified for the former Administrator or PSD agents.

Recommendations

We recommend that the Chief Financial Officer:

1. Evaluate and determine whether the increased airfare costs estimated at \$123,942 related to former Administrator Pruitt's use of first/business-class travel without sufficient justification and proper approval, for the period March 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017, should be recovered and, if so, from which responsible official or officials, and direct recovery of the funds.
2. For the period January 1, 2018, through his resignation in July 2018, evaluate and determine whether any costs related to former Administrator Pruitt's use of first/business-class travel without sufficient justification and proper approval should be recovered and, if so, from which responsible official or officials, and direct recovery of the funds.

Agency Comments and OIG Evaluation

The agency asserted that it has completed an analysis showing that all costs incurred between March 1, 2017, and December 31, 2017, were *valid*; and all costs

incurred between January 1, 2018, and July 2018 had *sufficient justification and proper approval*.

On March 5, 2019, the Chief Financial Officer also redelegated the approval authority for the Administrator's first/business-class travel to the Controller (see Appendix F). On March 26, 2019, the agency provided its review of the 2018 costs, along with its standard operating procedures for the review. On March 28, 2019, the Controller retroactively approved other than coach-class accommodations associated with the Administrator's trips taken in 2017 and 2018 (see Appendix G).

We agree that the subsequent redelegation, combined with the retroactive approval, resolved the issue of a lack of delegated authority and the trip-by-trip approval. However, we disagree with the agency's determination on the 2017 and 2018 costs, as the Controller's retroactive approval still lacks the support and justification for the asserted security concerns, as documented in Chapter 4 of this report and our audit of the PSD noted in the *Prior Audit Reports* section (Report No. 18-P-0239).

The agency also stated that the former Administrator issued a memorandum requiring additional approval for any trip made by agency personnel on his behalf with expenditures over \$5,000. Per his directive, for these trips, final approval is required from two of three individuals: Deputy Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and/or Chief of Staff. According to the agency, this review continued after former Administrator Pruitt's departure.

Although this new approval requirement may help to strengthen the overall travel control, it does not address the OIG's Recommendations 1 and 2: to review costs from March 2017 to July 2018 to determine whether sufficient justification and proper approval exist and if the costs need to be recovered.

We consider Recommendations 1 and 2 to be unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

The full agency response and our comments to Chapter 3 are in Appendix D, OIG Responses 5, 6, 7, 13 and 14.

Chapter 4

Actions Needed to Strengthen Internal Controls over Travel

The EPA's travel policy is sufficiently designed to prevent fraud, waste and abuse, and is consistent with the FTR. However, we found that the policy did not initially outline who had the authority to approve the Administrator's travel authorizations and vouchers. We also found that not all applicable provisions of the FTR and/or the EPA travel policy were followed for former Administrator Pruitt's travel. Although our focus was on the former Administrator's travel, we also noted issues related to the former Administrator's staff and PSD agents traveling with or in advance of him. We noted the following:

- First/business-class exceptions were awarded for the former Administrator and PSD agents without sufficient justification for the security concern used to support the exception, and the exception for the former Administrator was approved by an individual who did not initially have the authority to grant such approval.
- Blanket approval for first/business-class travel did not comply with the FTR trip-by-trip approval requirement.
- Justification for use of non-contract carriers was not always documented.
- Compliance with the FTR for the selection of first/business-class carrier and flights was not documented.
- Lodging costs claimed in excess of 150 percent of per diem were not approved and/or adequately justified in accordance with EPA travel policy.
- Travel documents for trips with stops in Tulsa did not contain sufficient details to verify there were no additional costs to the government.
- International trip reports were inaccurate and incomplete.
- The PSD's and other staff's use of business-class travel for international trips was approved without the required analysis and did not follow the agency's exception approval process.

Based on the issues identified above, actions are needed to strengthen controls over the EPA's travel and prevent fraud, waste and abuse.

We found that the former Administrator's use of military/chartered flights was properly documented and approved in accordance with the FTR and EPA travel policy.

No Formal Delegation for Approval of Administrator's Travel Documents

The EPA's travel policy defines the delegation authority for approving exceptions and specific sensitive items—such as the use of premium-class accommodation, lodging in excess of per diem, and the use of military and chartered aircraft. The delegations to approve the travel exceptions and specific sensitive items are referenced in the EPA travel policy RMDS 2550B, Section III, *Delegations of Authority*, but the delegations do not clearly specify who is responsible for the approval of the Administrator's travel authorizations and vouchers. Additionally, the *Executive Approval Framework*, which clarifies the appropriate level of approval for EPA executives, did not cover the Administrator.

The *Executive Approval Framework* did not include approval for the Administrator.

The EPA's RMDS 2550B, Section V, *Authorization for Official Travel*, states that "all travel requires approval from proper travel-authorizing officials or designees prior to employees conducting official travel or incurring any costs associated with travel." On April 24, 2014, the EPA issued a memorandum to Senior Resource Officials, *Implementing Internal Controls Related to Time and Attendance, Travel, Payroll, and Parking and Transit Subsidies*, which included the *Executive Approval Framework* for executive travel. Except for the Administrator, the framework clarifies the appropriate level of approval for EPA executives where the travel cannot be approved by an individual in their chain of command. Approval of the Administrator's travel should follow the same system as the other executives in the agency and be clearly stated in the framework.

Conclusion

While the EPA has established delegations of approval for specific exceptions allowed for under its travel policy, it initially did not provide a clear delegation for approval of the Administrator's travel authorizations and vouchers. The lack of a clearly authorized delegate and backup at an appropriate level could result in inappropriate approval and lead to fraud, waste and abuse with the Administrator's travel.

Actions Taken

In the discussion documents issued to the agency on May 29, 2018, we recommended that the Chief Financial Officer update the *Executive Approval Framework* or other EPA policy to include a formal authorized delegate and backup for approval of Administrator-level travel. On June 28, 2018, the OCFO updated the *Executive Approval Framework* to designate approvers for the Administrator's travel. We verified on July 13, 2018, that the updated *Executive Approval Framework* has been posted on the EPA's intranet. Therefore, no further recommendation on this matter is needed.

First/Business-Class Exceptions Granted Without Sufficient Justification to Support Security Concern

As discussed in Chapter 3 of this report, agency officials requested and granted first/business-class exceptions to the former Administrator and the PSD agents who accompanied him based on the security exception allowed by the FTR. However, the exceptions were improperly granted because:

- The agency did not have documentation to support the asserted security concerns.
- The exception for the former Administrator was approved by an agency official who at the time did not have the appropriate approval authority.
- The exceptions were not granted on a trip-by-trip basis.

On June 1, 2017, the Deputy Chief of Staff, as the Senior Resource Officer, sent a memorandum to the OCFO requesting a first-class exception for former Administrator Pruitt due to security concerns. The memorandum stated that the determination was made based on the prevailing security assessments provided by the PSD and the threat statistics obtained from the EPA OIG. On June 2, 2017, the acting Controller⁶ in the OCFO approved the exception request with a retroactive effective date of May 15, 2017. The approval memorandum stated that, based on a review of the “related documentation” received, it was determined that the request complied with criteria in the EPA’s travel policy. On June 5, 2017, the acting Controller approved the same exception for the PSD agents who accompanied the former Administrator on official travel.

Exceptions were granted for security concerns based only on alleged security assessments by the agency.

Blanket Authorization

It is unclear from the approval memorandums whether the exceptions granted to the former Administrator and PSD agents who accompanied him were blanket authorizations or only for a particular trip. The memorandums did not include an expiration date or mention a specific trip. Therefore, the memorandums appear to provide a blanket authorization. The agency allowed the former Administrator and PSD agents traveling with him to use the memorandums as a blanket authorization, as the same approval was used as the basis for justifying first/business-class travel for all trips taken after May 15, 2017—the effective date of the approval. There was no evidence of a trip-by-trip analysis or separate approval by the Controller for each trip.

Blanket approval for the use of other than coach-class accommodations is prohibited under Note 2 to FTR §301-10.123 and is contrary to EPA travel policy.

⁶ The acting Controller became the Controller on July 12, 2017.

OIG Analysis of “Related Documentation”

We requested the “related documentation” mentioned in the approval memorandums from the agency. On October 18, 2017, we received a response from the acting Deputy Chief of Staff saying that all he had was the PSD “threat assessment,” and that the PSD had used this document from very early in the Pruitt administration. Our review showed that the referenced “threat assessment” document was not a threat assessment. Rather, it was a memorandum, dated August 16, 2017, from the OIG’s Office of Investigations. The memorandum was provided to the PSD in response to a request for statistics regarding threat investigations that could be used as part of its own “threat assessment.”

The August 16, 2017, memorandum had the subject *Summary of Pending and Recent Threat Investigations*. The memorandum included sections that addressed:

- Summary and threats statistics.
- Threats directed against former Administrator Pruitt and/or his family.
- Threats directed against former Administrator Gina McCarthy.
- Threats directed against other EPA employees.

The section pertaining to threats against former Administrator Pruitt included threatening messages received through mail, phone calls and social media. These cases did not involve physical threats to the former Administrator or his family, and the memorandum did not include conclusions or assessments about the threats to the former Administrator or recommend security action relating to the former Administrator or his use of first/business-class travel.

Moreover, the memorandum provided by the OIG did not exist at the time the first/business-class exception was discussed, requested or approved. Indeed, the acting Controller in the OCFO approved the exception request on June 2, 2017, more than 2 months **before** the OIG’s August 16, 2017, memorandum. No additional statistics were ever provided by the OIG.

The OIG threat statistics did not exist at the time the first/business-class exception was approved.

First-Class Travel Prior to Approval of Exceptions

The former Administrator’s initial first-class flight was in early May 2017, before his first/business-class exception became effective on May 15, 2017. For his first trip, beginning on May 4, 2017, a coach-class ticket was purchased and later upgraded to first class, resulting in an additional \$389 cost. No justification or approval was provided for the upgrade on the former Administrator’s travel authorization or voucher. For his second trip, beginning on May 11, 2017, and ending on May 15, 2017, a first-class roundtrip ticket was booked and included only the justification

First/business-class travel prior to approval of exception was based on an unsigned PSD memorandum.

provided by the PSD. The justification—an unsigned memorandum dated May 1, 2017, from the PSD acting Special Agent in Charge to the former Administrator’s Travel Coordinator—requested that the former Administrator be strategically seated in business or first class for official travel. The request stated that the PSD previously had observed a “lashing out” from passengers while the former Administrator was seated in coach class and the PSD was not easily accessible to the former Administrator due to full flights. However, neither the PSD nor the former Administrator’s Travel Coordinator had the authority to approve first-class travel.

Federal Requirements and EPA Policy for Granting Exceptions

FTR §301-10.122 requires coach-class accommodations to be used for domestic and international official business travel. FTR §301-10.123 provides exceptional security circumstances that would allow the use of other than coach-class accommodation if the agency specifically authorizes/approves such use. These circumstances include, but are not limited to, when:

- Use of coach-class accommodations would endanger the traveler’s life or government property.
- The traveler is an agent on protective detail accompanying an individual authorized to use other than coach-class accommodations.
- The traveler is a courier or control officer accompanying controlled pouches or packages.

The circumstance the agency asserted is that the use of coach-class accommodation would endanger the former Administrator’s life. The FTR’s term “other than coach-class” refers to first or business class.

The EPA’s RMDS 2550B, Section V, *Travel Accommodations*, requires that EPA employees use coach class for official travel unless delegated officials grant an exception for a higher class. A request for an exception to use other than coach class (first or business) requires a memorandum that supports the approval from an employee’s office director or equivalent to the Chief Financial Officer or designee. When the exception for the former Administrator’s first/business-class travel was granted, only the Chief Financial Officer and Deputy Chief Financial Officer were delegated the authority to approve the use of other than coach class (first or business) for the Administrator under EPA Delegation 1-17A, *Domestic Travel*, and 1-17B, *International (Foreign and Invitational-Foreign) Travel*. This authority was not re-delegated⁷. Nonetheless, the then acting Controller approved the exception for the former Administrator’s first/business-class travel on June 2, 2017, without delegated authority to properly do so.

⁷ At the time, the then acting Controller had been delegated authority to approve such first/business-class exceptions, but *only* for the position of office director and employees below.

Conclusion

The former Administrator relied on the exception approved by the then acting Controller for all first/business-class flights after May 15, 2017. Due to agency security protocol, the former Administrator's accompanying PSD agents also flew first and business class with him. However, the acting Controller had not been delegated the authority to approve the Administrator's use of first/business-class travel at the time she granted the exception, thereby making the exception invalid.

At no time has the agency ever adequately justified its approval of the exception based on security concerns. The agency could not provide documentation to support that the former Administrator's life was endangered when flying coach class.

Furthermore, the agency used the exception as a blanket approval for the former Administrator and PSD to fly first and business class, which is prohibited under the FTR. As a result, the former Administrator's first/business-class travel violated the FTR and EPA travel policy.

Consequently, the former Administrator and his accompanying PSD agents incurred more travel costs than necessary or appropriate. As discussed in Chapter 3, we have estimated airfare expenses of \$123,942 paid above coach class.

Actions Taken

Since issuance of the draft report, the agency has taken actions to address the delegation of authority for approval of the first/business-class exception for the Administrator and trip-by-trip approvals. On February 11, 2019, the agency's Office of General Counsel (OGC) issued a legal opinion, included in the agency response, stating that the acting Controller did have "implicit authority" to grant the first-class exceptions (see Appendix E). The OGC disagrees with the agency's position as outlined in the *Agency Comments and OIG Evaluation* section below.

Subsequent actions were taken by the agency to redelegate authority and make after-the-fact approvals.

Notwithstanding the OGC legal opinion, on March 5, 2019, the Chief Financial Officer issued a memorandum redelegating the authority to approve other than coach-class (first-class) accommodations for all official travel to the Controller. This redelegation also included the authority for the Controller to issue after-the-fact or post-travel exceptions for agency employees under the criteria provided in the FTR and the agency travel policy (see Appendix F). On March 22, 2019, the Administrator issued a memorandum approving amendments to Delegations 17-A and 17-B, incorporating the Chief Financial Officer's new redelegation to the Controller (see Appendix H). On March 28, 2019, the Controller issued a memorandum retroactively approving all other than coach-class accommodations (first-class) for former Administrator Pruitt, the PSD and support staff that occurred during the fiscal years 2017 and 2018, due to security concerns (see Appendix G). The agency provided no justification or documentation to show that

valid security concerns existed for the travel period in question. The following is a timeline of the events:

Table 5: Actions taken to address redelegation since draft report issuance: timeline of events

Action	Date
OIG issues draft report.	11/26/18
OGC issues legal opinion on the delegation of authority issue.	02/11/19
Agency responds to draft report.	02/15/19
Chief Financial Officer issues redelegation to the Controller.	03/05/19
Current Administrator approves the amendments to Delegations 1-17A and 1-17B for the redelegation of authority to the Controller.	03/22/19
Controller retroactively approves 2017 and 2018 first-class flight accommodations.	03/28/19

Source: OIG-generated table.

Recommendations

We recommend that the Chief Financial Officer:

3. Implement controls to verify the approving official has adequate authority prior to granting first/business-class exceptions.
4. Implement controls agencywide to verify that the use of other than coach-class travel is properly justified and documented prior to approval of the travel authorization.

Agency Comments and OIG Evaluation

The agency initially disagreed with Recommendations 3 and 4 and stated that adequate controls were in place for granting first/business-class exceptions and verifying justification and support for the use of other than coach-class travel. The agency stated that based on an opinion from the OGC, the acting Controller was authorized to grant the first/business-class exception for the former Administrator based on “implicit authority.” The agency further stated that trip-by-trip approval for first/business-class flight accommodation is a best practice rather than required.

It should be noted that the OGC opinion was initiated internally within the agency and not at the OIG’s request. The opinion—rendered by OGC staff—contends that the acting Controller was operating pursuant to an implied delegation of authority from the acting Chief Financial Officer and, therefore, the approval of the exception for the former Administrator’s first/business-class travel was valid. The OGC’s contention is based on its understanding that the acting Chief Financial Officer did not object to the acting Controller’s role of approving first-class travel and he orally concurred with the exception determination.

The OIG disagrees with the agency's position.⁸ The agency's position contradicts the EPA's expressed, written governing tenets for delegations and redelegations of authority, namely that agency officials must not exceed the authority granted to them and that all delegations and redelegations are to be made in writing.⁹

The agency's position would allow restrictions in explicit written delegations to be nullified by the mere claim by any agency official that he/she is unaware of the limits of his/her authority. The OIG believes that such a position is entirely contrary to sound, principled management practices incumbent on all agencies. Furthermore, contrary to the OGC's opinion, the agency's March 28, 2019, memorandum acknowledges that the acting Controller did **not** have proper authority to approve other than coach-class accommodation.

As discussed above in the *Actions Taken* section, the agency has taken numerous actions to address the delegation and trip-by-trip issue. The OIG acknowledges these actions and accepts the Controller's new authority for trip-by-trip and retroactive approval. However, despite these agency authorities, we disagree with the actions taken on the basis that the agency has not provided sufficient justification to support that valid security concerns existed for the periods in question. We consider Recommendation 3 completed and Recommendation 4 to be unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

The OIG accepts new approval authority but disagrees with retroactive approval because the required security justification was absent.

The agency's full response and our comments are in Appendix D, OIG Responses 8, 9, 15 and 16.

Justification for Use of Non-Contract Air Carriers Not Always Documented

The former Administrator, as well as his PSD agents and other staff, used non-contract carriers without proper justification. In March and April 2017, prior to the first/business-class exception, the former Administrator flew coach class but did not always use the city-pair contract carrier. PSD agents and other staff also did not always use contract carriers for their trips associated with the former Administrator's travel. These PSD agents and other staff may or may not

The use of non-contract carriers by the former Administrator, his staff and PSD agents did not always have documented justifications.

⁸ The lone case cited in support of the OGC opinion, *Parrish v. Shinseki*, 24 Vet. App. 391 (2010), addressed a different factual scenario and cannot be fairly read to support the OGC's proposition that "if the supervisor is aware that an authority is being carried out by a subordinate and the supervisor does not object, the actions of that subordinate are valid pursuant to an 'implied delegation.'" Further, the *Parrish* decision was issued by the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, a court that provides judicial review of administrative decisions by the Board of Veterans' Appeals, an entity within the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and has no binding authority on the EPA.

⁹ EPA 1200 Delegation Manual, Introduction, Section 2(5)-(6).

have flown on the same flights as the former Administrator when they used the non-contract carriers.

EPA travel policy in RMDS 2550B, Section V, *Use of the City Pair Program*, states that the EPA is a mandatory user of the GSA's city-pair contract. Employees on official business must use the contract carrier when one is available unless a specific FTR exception (§301-10.107) applies. The FTR exceptions include:

- (a) "Space on a scheduled contract flight is not available in time to accomplish the purpose of your travel, or use of contract service would require you to incur unnecessary overnight lodging costs which would increase the total cost of the trip;
- (b) "The contract flight schedule is inconsistent with explicit policies of your Federal department or agency with regard to scheduling travel during normal working hours;
- (c) "A noncontract carrier offers a lower fare to the general public that, if used, will result in a lower total trip cost to the Government (the combined costs of transportation, lodging, meals, and related expenses considered)."

Before purchasing the non-contract fare, FTR §301-10.108 requires the traveler to meet one of the above FTR §301-10.107 exceptions and the traveler's agency to determine that the proposed non-contract transportation is practical and cost-effective for the government. FTR §301-10.108 also requires the traveler to show approval in the travel authorization to use a non-contract fare.

When non-contract carriers/flights were used, the former Administrator, as well as his staff and PSD agents, used the Concur selection "contract fare used or no contract fare exists for city-pair market" as the justification. Some of these trips had narrative justifications in addition to the Concur selection, but many did not. Furthermore, some of the narrative justifications used were invalid, as they did not provide information to explain how the FTR exceptions were met. Examples of these invalid narrative justifications include "booked by the traveler" or "BCD booked travel."¹⁰

OIG Analysis of Use of Non-Contract Carriers

Our analysis showed that in most instances the Concur selection "contract fare used or no contract fare exists for city-pair market" was incorrect. Our search showed that there were city-pair fares for the routes traveled but the travelers selected the non-contract carriers for unknown reasons. The agency's explanation was that such fares were booked by the contractor, BCD Travel.

¹⁰ BCD Travel operates the EPA's Travel Management Center.

According to the agency, BCD, as a contractor for the EPA's Travel Management Center, is required to follow the FTR per its Memorandum of Understanding¹¹ with the EPA. However, there is no requirement in the Memorandum of Understanding for BCD to document compliance with the FTR in Concur. In fact, BCD does not document/justify the selection of non-contract carriers. Without justification, it is not clear what FTR exception was met or whether the agency made a determination on cost-effectiveness. The EPA's use of BCD does not relieve the traveler's and agency's responsibility for complying with the FTR and EPA travel policy.

Conclusion

The use of the Concur selection "contract fare used or no contract fare exists for city-pair market" implies that when a non-contract carrier is used there is no contract fare for the route. However, our analysis included many examples that showed otherwise. Without justification, the travelers have not demonstrated that they met the FTR exceptions for using other than city-pair contract fares. Failure to use city-pair contract carriers without meeting the FTR exceptions is a violation of the FTR.

Recommendation

We recommend that the Chief Financial Officer:

5. Implement controls to verify contract fares are used unless the non-contract fares are properly justified and documented.

Agency Comments and OIG Evaluation

The agency disagreed with Recommendation 5. The agency believes its travel policy and the Concur selection menu, along with justification and the work of its contractor—BCD—are adequate for verifying that contract fares are properly used and justified.

We disagree with the agency's comments. As stated in the report, our analysis showed that in most instances the statement in the selection menu was not true and additional narrative justification was not always provided. Further, the EPA's use of BCD does not relieve either the traveler's or the agency's responsibility for complying with the FTR and EPA policy.

We consider Recommendation 5 unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

The agency's full response and our comments are in Appendix D, OIG Responses 10 and 17.

¹¹ Review of the Memorandum of Understanding and BCD's activities are outside the scope of our audit.

No Documentation to Verify Whether First/Business-Class Carriers and Flights Selected Were Compliant with the FTR

As shown in Chapter 2 of this report, Table 2, the former Administrator's flight segments for May to December 2017, consisted of 76.8 percent first class and 11.6 percent each for business and economy/premium economy. The former Administrator and his accompanying PSD agent¹² traveled first/business class without documentation to verify that the fares selected were the lowest first/business-class cost or the "most advantageous" to the government. The agency's travel policy does not require documentation to support first/business-class carriers or flight selection. Without a requirement for a traveler to affirmatively indicate whether the lowest fare was selected, the agency could not determine whether the selection of the first/business-class fares were compliant with the FTR.

OIG Analysis of First/Business-Class Flights and Carriers

As discussed in the *First/Business-Class Exceptions Granted Without Sufficient Justification to Support Security Concern* section above, the former Administrator was granted an exception to travel first/business class based on security concerns. The agency used the exception as a blanket approval for the former Administrator and the PSD agents accompanying him to fly first/business class.

However, there was no documentation to verify that the air carriers and flights selected for the former Administrator's first/business-class travel were the lowest first/business-class cost or the most advantageous to the government, as required under FTR §301-10.112. As mandated in FTR §301-10.106, federal employees are required to use contract fares from the GSA's City Pair Program unless one of the exceptions exists. However, since city-pair does not have first-class or business-class fares, FTR §301-10.112 requires travelers to use the lowest cost for the same service unless the use of higher-cost service is more advantageous to the government.¹³ Therefore, the former Administrator needed to select the lowest-cost first/business-class fare or, if a higher fare was chosen, demonstrate that the selected carriers and flights were the most advantageous to the government within that class.

The EPA's travel policy does not specify what documentation is needed to support air carrier and airfare selection when there are no contract rates in city-pair. Agency officials said this was the first time an EPA official was approved for first/business-class travel; the agency had no experience dealing with this class of travel.

¹² According to the agency, due to security protocols, a PSD agent is required to sit near the former Administrator in first/business class; therefore, this issue also applies to the PSD agents accompanying the former Administrator.

¹³ Similarly, FTR §301-10.123 states that travelers must use the lowest other than coach-class accommodation when the agency authorizes other than coach-class accommodation.

Conclusion

The OIG could not determine whether the carriers and/or flights selected were the lowest first/business-class fares available because the government does not have first/business-class contract fares. The agency's travel policy does not require the former Administrator to show whether the flights selected were the lowest first/business-class cost or the "most advantageous" to the government. Also, the agency's travel policy does not require the former Administrator to indicate whether the lowest first/business-class fare was selected. Without a requirement for a traveler to affirmatively indicate whether the lowest first/business-class fare is selected, the agency cannot determine whether the first/business-class fare selection complies with the FTR.

Unnecessary costs could be incurred if the agency has no controls in place to verify that when a higher-cost fare is selected a traveler provides sufficient justification that the fare selection is the most advantageous for the government. Personal preference for a certain airline could result in the use of carriers/flights/fares that are not necessarily the lowest fare or the most advantageous for the government.

Recommendations

We recommend that the Chief Financial Officer:

6. Clarify EPA policy in Resource Management Directive System 2550B on the requirements for justifying and documenting carrier/flight/airfare selection when there are no contract fares.

We recommend that the Chief of Staff:

7. Implement controls within the Office of the Administrator to include adequate justification to support the use of first/business-class travel and for carrier/flight/airfare selection when there are no contract fares.

Agency Comments and OIG Evaluation

The agency disagreed with Recommendations 6 and 7. For Recommendation 6, the agency believes that the RMDS discusses the agency requirements. In addition, the agency believes that the dropdown menu in Concur, along with justification and the booking of flights by BCD, is sufficient justification/documentation.

For Recommendation 7, the agency believes that sufficient controls are in place. The agency stated that the former Administrator issued a memorandum requiring additional approval for any trip made by agency personnel on his behalf with trip expenditures over \$5,000. For these trips, final approval is required from two of

three individuals: Deputy Administrator, Chief Financial Officer or Chief of Staff. This has continued after former Administrator Pruitt's departure. The agency also stated that no separate or additional controls are required for the OA.

We disagree with the agency's comments for Recommendation 6. The referenced RMDS section only states that EPA employees must use a contract carrier when one is available unless a specific FTR §301-10.107 exception applies. It does not address how the exception is to be documented and approved. Also, the use of BCD does not relieve the traveler's and agency's responsibility for complying with the FTR and EPA policy.

We also disagree with the agency's comment for Recommendation 7 that sufficient controls are in place. Between May and December 2017, the former Administrator traveled mostly first class. The travel authorizations and vouchers did not provide any cost or schedule information to justify the carrier and airfare selection.

The agency's new approval requirement for trip expenditures over \$5,000 does not resolve Recommendation 7. The agency continues to rely on BCD for FTR compliance and does not believe that additional controls are needed to verify that adequate justification is provided to support first/business-class travel and carrier/flight/airfare selection. Therefore, the senior management review of trips with expenditures over \$5,000 is unlikely to verify such documentation absent the additional controls specified in our Recommendation 7.

We consider Recommendations 6 and 7 unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

The agency's full response and our comments are in Appendix D, OIG Responses 18 and 19.

Unjustified and Improper Approvals for Lodging Costs Above 150 Percent of Per Diem

The former Administrator and some associated staff and PSD agents incurred lodging expenses above 150 percent of per diem without justifications and approvals received after-the-fact. We also identified instances where PSD agents did not receive proper second-line supervisor approval.

Under FTR §301-11.30(a), a government traveler may be reimbursed for actual lodging expenses not to exceed 300 percent of per diem. The FTR §301-11.30(b) further states that approval of actual expenses for lodging is "usually in advance of travel and at the discretion of [the traveler's] agency."

The handling of above per diem lodging is hindered by inconsistent agency direction. In the agency's April 24, 2014, memorandum *Implementing Internal Controls Related to Time and Attendance, Travel, Payroll, and Parking and*

Transit Subsidies, the issue of above per diem lodging often not being approved prior to travel or appropriately documented was identified as an area of concern. As a corrective action, the memorandum states that approval for above per diem lodging be made “prior” (emphasis in agency policy) to travel and that proper justification for above per diem expenses be provided. The memorandum stated that the OCFO would codify this new control into the EPA travel policy.

The EPA’s RMDS 2550B, Section V, *Actual Expenses*, issued in 2015, requires specific notation in the travel authorization for approval of actual expense reimbursement. If the expense exceeds 150 percent of per diem, the policy also requires second-line supervisor approval prior to occurrence of travel. In addition, EPA policy requires an amendment to the travel authorization when travel authorizing officials approve expenses after the completion of the trip.

As shown in Table 6, for 10 trips (or 29 percent of the 34 trips taken), the former Administrator’s lodging costs exceeded 150 percent of per diem. For most of the trips, the former Administrator’s lodging costs in excess of 150 percent were approved after-the-fact. Justifications for these approvals were often minimal, such as “due to high season.” A few were without any justification.

Table 6: Former Administrator’s lodging over 150 percent of per diem

	Travel date	Destination	Hotel	Per diem	150% of per diem	Lodging claimed	Justification
1	03/08/17	Houston, TX	Hilton Americas	\$135	\$203	\$284	None
2	04/19/17	Columbia, MO	Double Tree	91	137	159	None
3	05/16/17	New York, NY	The Michelangelo	267	401	450	High season – no government rate
4	06/09/17	Bologna & Rome, Italy	Savoia Hotel Regency & Baglioni Hotel Regina	359	539	629	Represents costs for one room at two hotels needed to address security considerations.
5	07/17/17	Salt Lake City, UT	The Monaco	115	173	199	Last minute changes and high season*
	07/18/17	Minneapolis, MN	Le Meridien	145	218	299	Last minute changes and high season*
	07/19/17	Little Rock, AK	Capital Hotel	94	141	195	Last minute changes and high season*
6	07/24/17	Charleston, SC	The Spectator	178	267	269	High season
7	08/02/17 – 08/03/17	Denver, CO	The Oxford	178	267	380	High season
8	09/18/17	New York, NY	Cassa	301	452	669	High season – sold out
9	09/27/17	New York, NY	The Knickerbocker	301	452	595	High season – sold out
10	10/05/17	Phoenix, AZ	Kimpton Hotel Palomar	124	186	269	High season – sold out
	10/08/17	Lexington, KY	21c Museum	109	164	199	None

Source: OIG analysis of EPA travel data, and travel authorizations and vouchers from the Concur travel system.

* Justifications for these lodging costs were provided during the audit and were not in Concur.

Although not included in Table 6, the former Administrator's staff and PSD agents also had incurred lodging expenses in excess of per diem. We did not review all vouchers for the former Administrator's associated travelers but, based on a sample reviewed, the former Administrator's staff and PSD agents also submitted justifications and received second-line supervisor approval after the fact on numerous occasions. In addition, we identified three instances where the PSD agents incurred lodging costs in excess of 150 percent of per diem without justification or second-line supervisor approval. Another PSD agent who incurred lodging in excess of 150 percent of per diem submitted a justification, but it was approved by the first-line supervisor, not the second-line supervisor as required under EPA policy.

The PSD agents traveling with the former Administrator incurred approximately the same lodging rates as the former Administrator. According to the agency, it is necessary for PSD agents to lodge in the same hotel and in close proximity in order to provide security for the former Administrator. Staff other than the PSD agents who accompanied the former Administrator may or may not have incurred the same lodging rates. On one occasion, PSD agents stayed in the same hotel and incurred lower lodging rates than the former Administrator. For example, the former Administrator and his accompanying PSD agent were each charged a rate of \$669 to stay at the Cassa in New York City on September 18, 2017—more than double the per diem rate of \$301—while on the same day another PSD agent staying at the same hotel was charged a rate of \$389.

Conclusion

The former Administrator and associated staff and PSD agents claiming lodging expenses above 150 percent of per diem did not always have the justifications and/or approvals required under EPA policy. We believe that last-minute travel plans and changes, along with a continued lack of understanding of the EPA's travel policy by staff and management, contributed to the after-the-fact approval with limited or no justifications.

Exceedance of 150 percent of per diem without sufficient justification and second-line supervisor approval violates EPA travel policy. Exceeding per diem rates without proper approval results in unnecessary costs and contributes to the potential for waste and abuse of taxpayer dollars.

Actions Taken

This issue was discussed with the agency during a meeting on April 30, 2018. The OCFO has confirmed that no written justifications and approvals had been received for the three instances in which the former Administrator's lodging costs were claimed in excess of 150 percent of per diem (identified in Table 6 above).

Recommendation

We recommend that the Chief Financial Officer:

8. Implement controls to verify appropriate approval and adequate justification for lodging over 150 percent of per diem and minimize after-the-fact approvals.

Agency Comments and OIG Evaluation

The agency agreed with the recommendation and stated that the OCFO is implementing controls in Concur for lodging over 150 percent of per diem. The agency also proposed a corrective action completion date.

Subsequent to its formal response, the agency informed us that it has updated Concur to include a flag requiring additional justification be included for any voucher with lodging exceeding 150 percent of per diem. We accept the agency's corrective action and consider Recommendation 8 completed.

The agency's full response and our comments are in Appendix D, OIG Response 20.

Missing Detailed Support for Trips with Stops in Tulsa

Travel documentation for the former Administrator's stops in Tulsa for personal reasons while on business travel elsewhere did not contain adequate cost comparisons to verify that those stops did not result in additional costs to the government, as required under the FTR and EPA travel policy. OIG analysis of travel data obtained from the EPA's Compass Data Warehouse and vouchers and receipts from the agency's Concur travel system showed that of the 34 trips the former Administrator took from March through December 2017, six were exclusively to the former Administrator's hometown of Tulsa or other locations in Oklahoma for official business, and an additional 10 trips were taken elsewhere but included self-initiated weekend stays in Tulsa where no official business was conducted. Additional details on these trips are in Chapter 2.

We identified no specific criteria that would limit the former Administrator's travel to, or stops in, Tulsa for the weekend or otherwise. However, FTR §301-10.7 requires travelers to travel to their destination "by the usually traveled route unless the agency authorizes or approves a different route as officially necessary." If an indirect route is used for personal convenience, government reimbursement is limited to the cost of travel by a direct route and the traveler is responsible for any additional cost, as required by FTR §301-10.8.

Similarly, EPA policy under RMDS 2550B, Section IV, *Responsibilities*, requires authorizing officials to verify that travel is by the direct or usually traveled route

and mandates that use of indirect routes requires justification and approval. The EPA travel policy reiterates that “employees are responsible for additional costs when indirect routes are for personal convenience.”

The trips with stops in Tulsa for personal convenience while on business travel elsewhere were not the direct or usually traveled routes. Therefore, the stops needed to be justified and the agency needed to determine and limit reimbursement to the costs of the direct routes. The justifications stated in the travel documents for the stops in Tulsa for personal reasons were generally either that the former Administrator paid his own way or that it was cost-effective for him to fly through Tulsa. However, the travel authorizations did not contain the required detail and support to verify these comments. For example, printed copies of the flights and prices for the direct routes were not uploaded to Concur or provided by the agency.

Furthermore, the agency did not consider all factors when comparing the former Administrator’s travel costs with a stop in Tulsa to the costs of the direct routes. For example, for some of the former Administrator’s trips home for the weekend, the cost comparison and/or justification was that the former Administrator paid his own way to Tulsa from his place of business.¹⁴ These comparisons did not document the airfare differences between flying back to Washington, D.C., from his original place of business versus from Tulsa. On another trip, the cost comparison was based on the prices for business class when in fact the former Administrator flew first class, but a less expensive business fare does not guarantee a less expensive first-class fare. The additional travel costs of the PSD agents and other staff who accompanied the former Administrator were also not addressed.

Conclusion

The OIG could not determine a specific cause for the lack of adequate cost comparison and supporting documents. However, the examples discussed show a general lack of understanding of cost-comparison requirements in the EPA’s travel policy by staff and management responsible for the former Administrator’s travel. Without proper cost comparisons and documentation, we were unable to determine whether additional costs were incurred for those stops in Tulsa the former Administrator made for personal convenience.

¹⁴ The OIG did not verify the former Administrator’s method of payment used in the cost comparison, i.e., cash, credit card or frequent-flyer miles.

Recommendation

We recommend that the Chief of Staff:

9. Implement controls within the Office of the Administrator to confirm that adequate cost comparisons are provided before approving travel authorizations where an alternative travel method is used (i.e., when the direct or usually taken routes are not used).

Agency Comments and OIG Evaluation

The agency disagreed with the recommendation, stating that sufficient controls were in place to verify proper justification and approval for use of other than coach-class travel.

The agency's comment is nonresponsive to the recommendation. The agency addressed the use of other than coach-class travel although our recommendation addresses the former Administrator's trips with side stops in Tulsa for personal reasons. We consider Recommendation 9 unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

The agency's full response and our comments are in Appendix D, OIG Responses 3 and 21.

Inaccurate and Incomplete International Trip Reports

International trip reports were not submitted by all travelers, and those submitted by the PSD and other staff associated with the former Administrator's travel were inaccurate and incomplete. This situation occurred due to limited guidance on the requirements for trip reports in the EPA's travel policy and a lack of controls to verify that the reports are submitted and those submitted are accurate and complete. A lack of trip report submissions and inaccurate and incomplete reporting affect proper monitoring of international engagements. OITA and other EPA offices need trip reports to avoid unnecessary international trips and track agency commitments to international partners. Without proper monitoring, the EPA cannot determine that international trips achieved expected results, commitments made during the trips are in line with agency missions and are honored by the agency, and trips are in the best interest of the taxpayer and not duplicative of other international trips.

The EPA's RMDS 2550B, Section VII, *Administrative Requirements for International Trip Report*, states that a trip report must be completed in the Fast International Approval of Travel (FIAT) database within 15 days of the final date of travel. The policy also requires each National Program Manager and region to monitor, at least annually, the completion of international travel reports by their

travelers. However, the policy does not specify whether all travelers must individually prepare a trip report.

Based on discussions with OITA, each traveler is required to submit a report in FIAT with the standard form provided, but the amount of information in the report varies depending on the individual traveler. Some travelers provide a detailed summary as an attachment to the form; others just submit the essential information required in the form. Sometimes a team of several people on the same trip would prepare a single trip summary and each attach it to their individual trip report form in FIAT. The main purposes of the trip report are to obtain a summary of the events and track any commitments the travelers may have made on behalf of the agency. The reports also are used as the information library for OITA's desk officers to avoid duplication of efforts in future trips.

OIG Analysis of Trip Reports

The former Administrator had planned four international trips: to Mexico City, Mexico; Sydney, Australia; Rome, Italy; and Rabat, Morocco. The trip to Mexico City was canceled without travel and did not require an international trip report. The Sydney trip was canceled prior to the former Administrator's departure date, but his advance teams had deployed and arrived 2 days before the trip was canceled, thus requiring a trip report. The remaining two trips—to Rome and Rabat—were taken and also required trip reports. We obtained and reviewed hard-copy reports from OITA for only two of the three trips through December 31, 2017, that required trip reports—Sydney and Rome.

Our analysis found that for the Sydney and Rome trips, not all travelers submitted a trip report. Within the reports submitted, there were numerous errors. For example, for the Sydney trip, three employees reported that the “trip was completed successfully without incident,” which was entirely untrue. The trip was canceled shortly after the deployment of two of these employees and before the third employee even started the trip. In addition, some of the travel dates in the reports did not match the travel vouchers.

The errors in the international trip reports reflect a lack of management oversight and employee understanding of the requirements to file a report or the need for an accurate report. Although a lack of submission of international trip reports was raised in a prior OIG audit report,¹⁵ the EPA's revised travel policy did not provide clarification about the requirements. Rather, the revised policy, effective during the period of our audit, provided less information about the requirements than the prior version. According to the Controller, it was the OCFO's intent to leave the international travel requirements out of the travel policy and only reference the requirements in the attachments to the policy because the OCFO does not have control over the OITA's FIAT system.

¹⁵ *EPA Needs Better Management Controls for Approval of Employee Travel*, Report No. 15-P-0294, issued September 22, 2015.

For the Rabat trip, a narrative report was prepared by the embassy to summarize the matters discussed. The report does not include the details at the employee level required in FIAT. As a result, we are unable to verify the trip information as we did for the Rome and Sydney trips. According to the agency, this is not at all unusual. One person can draft a trip report when a group travels for the same purpose.

Conclusion

The lack of trip report submissions affects proper monitoring of international engagements. Without accurate and complete reports, the EPA cannot confirm that commitments in the international community are honored and in line with the agency's priorities. Accurate and complete reports also provide essential information to OITA and other EPA offices to avoid duplication of efforts in future trips and afford efficient use of EPA resources.

Actions Being Taken

We were informed by the agency that OITA will release a new version of the FIAT database. The updated version will be internet-based and allow users to access it from anywhere. It will send travelers automated reminders of the requirement to complete a trip report within 15 days and include other features to help travelers complete the form. Detailed information also will be available in the user guide. In addition, the system will allow the National Program Manager and regional coordinator to identify travel plans with missing trip reports. According to OITA, as of November 13, 2018, the updated version had been loaded onto the agency's server and will be rolled out to the three selected OITA administrative staff for pilot testing.

In its response, the agency proposed an estimated corrective action completion date of March 31, 2019. We followed up with the agency on the status of the corrective actions, and on April 22, 2019, were advised that the new version of FIAT was rolled out to a test group within OITA during the second quarter of fiscal year 2019. Testing identified a critical coding issue that affected the operation of FIAT. Further roll-out of the new system was halted so that changes could be implemented, and the system rested. As of May 6, 2019, OITA continued encountering technical problems and has reached out to the Office of Environmental Information for advice and assistance. Once the technical issue is resolved and re-testing within OITA offices proves successful, the agency will begin expanding the new FIAT to other National Program Managers and regions. The agency's revised estimated corrective action completion date is September 30, 2019.

According to the agency, as a stop-gap measure to improve compliance rates with filing trip reports, OITA's Office of Management and International Services has been monitoring trip reports in the Lotus Notes version of FIAT and contacting travelers who have not filed a report within 7 business days to remind them of the trip report requirement.

Recommendations

We recommend that the Assistant Administrator for International and Tribal Affairs:

10. Clarify the requirement and importance of trip reports for all international travel.
11. Implement controls to verify that international trip reports are accurate and complete.

Agency Comments and OIG Evaluation

The agency agreed with the recommendations and proposed corrective action, noting that OITA will be releasing a new version of the FIAT system that will address the OIG's concerns. We accept the agency's corrective actions and proposed completion dates. We consider Recommendations 10 and 11 resolved with corrective actions pending.

The agency's full response and our comments are in Appendix D, OIG Responses 22 and 23.

Improper Approval of Staff and PSD Use of Business-Class Travel for International Trips

The use of business-class travel by the former Administrator's PSD agents and other staff for international trips was not always approved in accordance with the FTR and EPA travel policy. We found that several PSD agents and former Administrator's staff received approval for business-class travel without a formal request, as required by EPA policy. Others who submitted a formal request received approval without the required analysis.

Flight duration alone does not qualify as the basis for entitlement of business-class travel.

FTR §301-10.123(b)(6) and §301-10.125(a)(3) allow the use of business class if the scheduled flight time—including non-overnight stopovers and change of planes—is in excess of 14 hours and if the traveler is required to report to duty the following day or sooner. The EPA's policy under RMDS 2550B, Section V, *Travel in Excess of 14 Hours*, states that the approving officials should also consider the constructive costs and the purpose and urgency of the trip. Constructive costs include the cost of business class versus coach class plus the cost of reimbursements in conjunction with a rest stop. The purpose and urgency of the trip considers whether the travel is so urgent or unexpected that it cannot be delayed or postponed and the traveler is unable to schedule a rest stop or an earlier flight that would allow for a rest period before having to report for duty.

Per the EPA's RMDS 2550B, Section V, *Travel Accommodations*, EPA employees must use coach class for official travel unless delegated officials grant an exception for other than coach class. A request for an exception to use other than coach class (business class) requires a memorandum from the employee's office director or equivalent to the appropriate delegated officials for approval of business class. The designated approver for the use of business class for the Administrator's staff is the Deputy Chief of Staff; for all other employees it is their Assistant Administrator/Deputy Assistant Administrator.

The use of business-class travel for staff and PSD agents was related to international trips. The business-class travel identified included the Australia trip in August 2017 and one segment for an employee's flights for the Morocco trip in December 2017. We did not review all vouchers for these trips. For the four selected vouchers reviewed for the Australia trip (two each for PSD and the former Administrator's staff), all employees flew round-trip business class. The travel authorizations for the former Administrator's staff noted that the "airfare exceeded the daily threshold of \$5,000 due to the length of the flights—over 20 hours each way." However, the staff did not submit an exception request to their designated approving official—the Deputy Chief of Staff—for the upgrade to business class, as required under EPA policy. The length of the flight alone does not constitute sufficient justification to approve business-class accommodation.

The two PSD agents submitted exception requests and their Director submitted a written request to their acting Assistant Administrator as required by the EPA policy. The request was approved prior to the travel. However, the request and approval were based only on the fact that the travel time—including stopovers and change of planes—exceeded 14 hours. The request also included that the former Administrator's staff were traveling in business class. However, the approval did not address the constructive costs or the urgency of the business, as required under the FTR and EPA policy.

In another instance, the acting Deputy Chief of Staff approved the use of business class for a staff member traveling with the former Administrator on the Morocco trip without the required analysis. The use of business class pertained to the international segment of the return flight from Morocco and cost close to \$3,000 more than the coach-class fare. The approval was based solely on the fact that the flight time—including the stopover—exceeded 14 hours and did not include an analysis of the constructive costs or the urgency of the business, as required under EPA policy.

The use of business class for the Morocco trip was discussed with the agency. The Controller said the upgrade was fully justified and constructive costs and urgency of mission were considered, even though the factors were not documented in the approval memorandum. The agency provided no documentation to show these factors were considered. Without additional documentation, the OIG cannot confirm that the constructive costs and urgency of mission were considered.

Conclusion

Senior management officials approved the use of business-class travel for the PSD and the former Administrator's staff without meeting the requirements of the FTR and EPA policy. These approvals show a lack of understanding of the requirements for the use of business-class travel. Approving the use of business class without analyzing the constructive costs and justifying the urgency of mission violates EPA policy and results in unnecessary and/or unjustified costs.

Recommendations

We recommend that the Chief Financial Officer:

12. Implement controls to verify that the use of first/business-class travel complies with the requirements of the Federal Travel Regulation and EPA policy in Resource Management Directive System 2550B prior to approval of the travel authorization.
13. Provide guidance on documentation needed to support approval for first/business-class travel.
14. Identify and review all business-class travel claimed for the staff and Protective Service Detail agents who accompanied the former Administrator on travel from March 2017 through his resignation in July 2018 for proper approval. Where policy was not followed, recover any excess costs claimed for the use of business class.

Agency Comments and OIG Evaluation

The agency disagreed with Recommendations 12 and 14 and agreed with Recommendation 13.

For Recommendation 12, the agency believed sufficient controls were in place through the agency's travel policy and the Memorandum of Understanding with BCD, its travel management contractor, which requires compliance with the FTR. We disagree with the agency that adequate controls are in place. The agency's record shows otherwise. As explained in the report, we found that the use of business-class travel by the former Administrator's staff and PSD agents was not always approved in accordance with the FTR and/or EPA travel policy. We found that several PSD agents and the former Administrator's staff received approval for business-class travel without a formal request as required by EPA policy. Others who submitted a formal request received approval without the required analysis.

For Recommendation 13, the agency provided several agencywide training courses in 2018, including one specific for OA staff and management. However,

the training courses did not cover requirements for approval of first/business-class travel.

For Recommendation 14, the agency stated that proper approvals were provided to agency staff and PSD agents accompanying the former Administrator because sufficient approval authority exists and there is no need to recover any costs. The agency's comment is nonresponsive to our recommendation, which relates not to approval authority but compliance with the FTR and EPA policy. Specifically, a sample of the travel vouchers revealed that several PSD agents and the former Administrator's staff used business-class flights for international trips without a formal request for such accommodation, as required by EPA policy. Others who submitted a formal request received approval based solely on the fact that the total flight time exceeded 14 hours, and they did not include the required analysis to address the constructive costs and mission urgency, as required by the FTR and EPA policy.

As discussed in Chapter 4 of this report, in the subsection *First/Business-Class Exceptions Granted Without Sufficient Justification to Support Security Concern*, the Controller issued a memorandum retroactively approving all other than coach-class accommodations for former Administrator Pruitt, the PSD and support staff that occurred during fiscal years 2017 and 2018 due to security concerns. While the retroactive approval memorandum referenced approval of support staff's use of first-class travel due to security concerns, the agency previously had asserted that the justification for support staff travel in other than coach-class accommodations (business class) was for reasons unrelated to the security exception. The agency has provided no explanation of how support staff's use of business-class travel is related to the security concerns relating to the former Administrator.

We consider Recommendations 12, 13 and 14 unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

The agency's full response and our comments are in Appendix D, OIG Responses 24, 25 and 26.

Justified Use of Military and Charter Flights

The former Administrator's use of military and charter flights was justified and in compliance with EPA policy and the FTR. The EPA's RMDS 2550B, Section V, *Federal Government Aircraft*, states that the EPA's use of a federal government aircraft—chartered or federal government-owned—must comply with Office of Management and Budget Circular A-126, *Improving the Management and Use of Government Aircraft*, May 22, 1992. The EPA must determine the service necessary to fulfill a mission requirement, including exceptional, scheduling, communication or security requirements, or if there is a substantial cost savings to

the government. These Office of Management and Budget guidelines are implemented in FTR §§301-10.261 through -10.264.

The former Administrator incurred travel costs of \$101,761 for three military and two charter flights. The purpose of the trips, along with dates and costs, are identified in Table 7.

Table 7: Use of military and charter flights

Travel date	Type	Destination	Purpose	Costs
03/15/17	Military	DC - Detroit	Travel to/from with President	\$45,000
06/07/17	Military	DC - Cincinnati – JFK (New York)	Travel to Cincinnati with President and to JFK without President	36,069
09/09/17	Military	DC - Camp David	Cabinet meeting with President	n/c
Total military flights				\$81,069
07/27/17	Charter	Tulsa – Guymon – Oklahoma City	<i>Waters of the United States</i> State Action tour	\$15,000
08/04/17	Charter	Denver - Durango	Gold King Mine meeting	5,692
Total charter flights				\$20,692
Total military and charter flights				\$101,761

Source: Cost data from the EPA's Compass Data Warehouse provided by the agency.

The former Administrator's use of military flights resulted from three trips associated with the President of the United States. The former Administrator participated in an event related to EPA regulations with the President in Detroit, Michigan. The cost of the Detroit trip and events was shared with the White House. The event costs included such items as staging, lighting, drapes and tables. The EPA's share was paid for under a reimbursable agreement with the Executive Office of the President that was reviewed and approved by the agency's Office of Acquisition Management. As the costs were not paid through the travel system and did not follow the travel voucher process, evaluating the validity of the procurement was outside of our audit scope.

The former Administrator was directed by the President to attend and participate in water infrastructure-related public events in Cincinnati, Ohio, prior to his previously scheduled flight from the John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York to Rome, Italy. After the events with the President, the former Administrator and his staff flew via military aircraft from Cincinnati to JFK to catch an evening flight to Rome, where the former Administrator represented the United States at the G-7 Environment Ministerial. The agency had determined this trip to be mission critical. According to the approval documents, there were no commercial flights that would allow the former Administrator to connect to the scheduled flight at JFK, nor were there other viable flight itineraries that would arrive in Italy on schedule for the former Administrator's obligations. The FTR allows for the use of military flights to meet exceptional scheduling needs. The use was properly approved by the agency's General Counsel.

The last military flight, to Camp David, was provided by the White House and did not result in any transportation costs to the EPA.

The former Administrator's use of chartered flights included a planned flight to Guymon, Oklahoma, as part of the *Waters of the United States* State Action tour. The charter was necessary because, due to the remote location of the meeting site, commercial flights were not available. The use of the second charter was an unplanned flight from Denver to Durango, Colorado, for a meeting at the Gold King Mine, where a major spill previously had occurred. The use of the charter resulted from weather delays with a booked commercial flight; the charter was needed to meet the former Administrator's schedule. Our audit found that the use of the charter flight was justified under the FTR, which allows for the use of charters to meet scheduling needs. These flights were properly approved by the agency's acting Principal Deputy General Counsel and acting General Counsel in accordance with EPA policy.

Conclusion

The costs incurred for the former Administrator's use of military and charter flights were properly approved. The agency's General Counsel determined that these actions complied with Office of Management and Budget Circular A-126 and FTR requirements. Based on supporting documentation, these actions were justified and allowed under the referenced regulations and EPA travel policy. Consequently, we make no recommendations regarding the use of military or chartered flights.

Agency Comments and OIG Evaluation

The agency provided no comments on this finding.

Status of Recommendations and Potential Monetary Benefits

RECOMMENDATIONS

Rec. No.	Page No.	Subject	Status ¹	Action Official	Planned Completion Date	Potential Monetary Benefits (in \$000s)
1	16	Evaluate and determine whether the increased airfare costs estimated at \$123,942 related to former Administrator Pruitt's use of first/business-class travel without sufficient justification and proper approval, for the period March 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017, should be recovered and, if so, from which responsible official or officials, and direct recovery of the funds.	U	Chief Financial Officer		\$124
2	16	For the period January 1, 2018, through his resignation in July 2018, evaluate and determine whether any costs related to former Administrator Pruitt's use of first/business-class travel without sufficient justification and proper approval should be recovered and, if so, from which responsible official or officials, and direct recovery of the funds.	U	Chief Financial Officer		
3	24	Implement controls to verify the approving official has adequate authority prior to granting first/business-class exceptions.	C	Chief Financial Officer	03/28/19	
4	24	Implement controls agencywide to verify that the use of other than coach-class travel is properly justified and documented prior to approval of the travel authorization.	U	Chief Financial Officer		
5	27	Implement controls to verify contract fares are used unless the non-contract fares are properly justified and documented.	U	Chief Financial Officer		
6	29	Clarify EPA policy in Resource Management Directive System 2550B on the requirements for justifying and documenting carrier/flight/airfare selection when there are no contract fares.	U	Chief Financial Officer		
7	29	Implement controls within the Office of the Administrator to include adequate justification to support the use of first/business-class travel and for carrier/flight/airfare selection when there are no contract fares.	U	Chief of Staff		
8	33	Implement controls to verify appropriate approval and adequate justification for lodging over 150 percent of per diem and minimize after-the-fact approvals.	C	Chief Financial Officer	02/19/19	
9	35	Implement controls within the Office of the Administrator to confirm that adequate cost comparisons are provided before approving travel authorizations where an alternative travel method is used (i.e., when the direct or usually taken routes are not used).	U	Chief of Staff		
10	38	Clarify the requirement and importance of trip reports for all international travel.	R	Assistant Administrator for International and Tribal Affairs	09/30/19	
11	38	Implement controls to verify that international trip reports are accurate and complete.	R	Assistant Administrator for International and Tribal Affairs	09/30/19	

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12	40	Implement controls to verify that the use of first/business-class travel complies with the requirements of the Federal Travel Regulation and EPA policy in Resource Management Directive System 2550B prior to approval of the travel authorization.	U	Chief Financial Officer		
13	40	Provide guidance on documentation needed to support approval for first/business-class travel.	U	Chief Financial Officer		
14	40	Identify and review all business-class travel claimed for the staff and Protective Service Detail agents who accompanied the former Administrator on travel from March 2017 through his resignation in July 2018 for proper approval. Where policy was not followed, recover any excess costs claimed for the use of business class.	U	Chief Financial Officer		

¹ C = Correction action completed.

R = Recommendation resolved with corrective action pending.

U = Recommendation unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

Cost Details for Trips Taken by Former Administrator

	Former Administrator's travel period ^a	Destinations	Former Administrator costs	Staff costs	PSD costs	Other costs ^b	Total
1	03/06/17 – 03/07/17	Scottsdale, AZ Tulsa, OK ^c	\$739	\$1,343	\$7,773	-	\$9,854
2	03/08/17 – 03/12/17	Houston, TX Tulsa, OK ^b	1,039	4,791	8,092	-	13,923
3	03/15/17 – 03/15/17	Detroit, MI Nashville, TN	-	36	2,816	^d \$45,000	47,852
4	03/23/17 – 03/27/17	Oklahoma City, OK Tulsa, OK ^b	615	1,901	5,588	-	8,104
5	04/12/17 – 04/24/17	New York, NY Pittsburgh, PA Tulsa, OK Chicago, IL Columbia, MO Dallas, TX Naples, FL	4,182	22,272	31,228	-	57,683
6	05/04/17 – 05/08/17	Tulsa, OK	1,043	1,017	3,285	-	5,345
7	05/11/17 – 05/15/17	Colorado Springs, CO Tulsa, OK ^b	3,052	2,336	8,515	-	13,903
8	05/16/17 – 05/17/17	New York, NY	2,055	3,910	4,937	-	10,903
9	05/19/17 – 05/22/17	Tulsa, OK	2,123	849	2,567	-	5,538
10	05/25/17 – 05/29/17	Tulsa, OK	2,997	2,090	8,964	-	14,051
11	06/05/17 – 06/06/17	New York, NY	2,201	2,564	369	-	5,134
12	06/07/17 – 06/11/17	Cincinnati, OH Rome, Italy Bologna, Italy	8,998	49,413	39,522	36,069	134,001
13	06/22/17 – 06/26/17	Tulsa, OK	2,799	857	6,850	-	10,506
14	06/30/17 – 06/30/17	Manhattan, NY	823	1,701	2,535	-	5,059
15	07/06/17 – 07/06/17	Birmingham/ Wilsonville, AL	2,623	5,795	3,069	-	11,487
16	07/07/17 – 07/07/17	Cochran, GA	1,963	613	1,953	-	4,528
17	07/17/17 – 07/20/17	Salt Lake City, UT Minneapolis, MN Little Rock, AK	5,768	20,419	15,888	-	42,076
18	07/24/17 – 07/14/17	Charleston, SC	1,644	4,637	1,233	-	7,514
19	07/26/17 – 07/30/17	Tulsa, OK Oklahoma City, OK Guyton, OK	2,933	6,731	9,258	^e 15,000	33,922
20	08/02/17 – 08/10/17	Indianapolis, IN Denver, CO Tulsa, OK ^b Des Moines, IA Grand Forks, ND	7,180	39,287	68,668	^f 5,692	120,827
21	08/30/17 – 09/05/17	Corpus Christi, TX Tulsa, OK ^b	3,931	83	11,146	-	15,161
22	09/09/17 – 09/10/17	Thurmont, MD	25	498	-	-	523

	Former Administrator's travel period ^a	Destinations	Former Administrator costs	Staff costs	PSD costs	Other costs ^b	Total
23	09/14/17 – 09/19/17	Houston, TX Tulsa, OK ^b New York, NY	4,407	9,441	14,342	-	28,189
24	09/27/17 – 09/28/17	New York, NY	2,672	4,868	6,496	-	14,035
25	10/04/17 – 10/09/17	Cincinnati, OH Colorado Springs, CO Phoenix, AZ Tulsa, OK ^b Lexington, KY	5,706	20,727	22,734	-	49,167
26	10/11/17 – 10/12/17	Jackson, MS	3,272	6,572	5,015	-	14,860
27	10/19/17 – 10/20/17	Houston, TX Omaha, NE	3,979	11,221	9,510	-	24,710
28	10/23/17 – 10/23/17	Nashville, TN	2,877	2,198	2,084	-	7,159
29	10/27/17 – 10/30/17	New Orleans, LA Tulsa, OK ^b	2,303	4,396	10,321	-	17,020
30	11/08/17 – 11/08/17	Chicago, IL	1,317	1,903	5,918	-	9,138
31	11/09/17 – 11/09/17	Kiawah Island, SC	3,155	4,574	2,794	-	10,523
32	11/27/17 – 11/27/17	Orlando, FL	2,221	3,253	5,149	-	10,623
33	11/30/17 – 12/04/17	Louisville, KY Des Moines, IA Tulsa, OK ^b	3,486	10,559	12,766	-	26,812
34	12/09/17 – 12/13/17	Rabat, Morocco Marrakech, Morocco	17,631	42,132	28,440		88,204
		Total	\$111,761	\$294,987	\$369,827	\$101,761	\$878,336

Source: OIG analysis of travel data from the EPA's Compass Data Warehouse.

Note: Numbers in ***bold italics*** are slightly off due to rounding.

^a Travel period for the former Administrator's advance staff and security detail will vary.

^b These are military and charter flight costs.

^c Trips to Tulsa for personal reasons, not for official business.

^d Military flight with the President of the United States.

^e Charter flight from Tulsa to Guymon, OK, return to Oklahoma City.

^f Charter flight from Denver to Durango, CO.

Cost Details for Former Administrator's Canceled Trips

	Former Administrator's travel period ^a	Destination	Former Administrator costs	Staff costs	PSD costs	Total	Note
	Domestic						
1	04/27/17 – 04/28/17	New York, NY	\$472	\$1,143	\$2,055	\$3,670	1
2	06/15/17 – 06/19/17	Tulsa, OK	68	49	95	212	2
3	06/21/17 – 06/21/17	Manhattan, NY	123	2,115	2,029	4,267	3
4	08/23/17 – 08/24/17	Lincoln, NE	68	326		394	4
		Domestic subtotal	\$731	\$3,633	\$4,179	\$8,543	
	International						
5	08/21/17 – 08/21/17	Mexico City, Mexico	\$68	\$177	\$203	\$448	4
6	08/31/17 – 09/08/17	Sydney, Australia	1,927	41,096	54,687	97,710	4
		International subtotal	\$1,995	\$41,273	\$54,889	\$98,158	
		Total	\$2,726	\$44,907	\$59,069	\$106,701	

Source: OIG analysis of travel data from the EPA's Compass Data Warehouse.

^a Travel period for the former Administrator's advance staff and security detail varied.

The explanations provided by the agency for trip cancellations are summarized in the notes below:

Note 1: After a 2-hour delay on a 10 p.m. flight, there was a decision made to cancel this trip. BCD was able to void the ticket and it was refunded by the airlines. However, it was already past the cancellation period according to hotel policy. As a result, there was a no-show charge for the hotel.

Note 2: The trip was canceled due to logistics.

Note 3: The former Administrator had been invited to speak at the Manhattan Institute and to participate in media interviews. This travel was canceled the day before departure due to a medical reason.

Note 4: These trips were canceled due to Hurricane Harvey. The former Administrator needed to remain in place to address the impact of the hurricane.

Former Administrator's Travel Costs by Cost Category

	Travel Period	Destination	Airfare ^a	Lodging ^b	Meals & incidental expenses	Other ^c	Total ^d
1	03/06/17 – 03/07/17	Scottsdale, AZ Tulsa, OK	\$594		\$89	\$56	\$739
2	03/08/17 – 03/12/17	Houston, TX Tulsa, OK	576	\$284	83	97	1,039
^e 3	03/15/17 – 03/15/17	Detroit, MI Nashville, TN					
4	03/23/17 – 03/27/17	Oklahoma City, OK Tulsa, OK	450		54	112	615
5	04/12/17 – 04/24/17	New York, NY Pittsburgh, PA Tulsa, OK Chicago, IL Columbia, MO Dallas, TX Naples, FL	2,480	554	665	484	4,182
6	04/27/17 – 04/28/17	New York, NY		252	111	109	472
7	05/04/17 – 05/08/17	Tulsa, OK	848		128	68	1,043
8	05/11/17 – 05/15/17	Colorado Springs, CO Tulsa, OK	2,691		134	228	3,052
9	05/16/17 – 05/17/17	New York, NY	1,316	450	111	178	2,055
10	05/19/17 – 05/22/17	Tulsa, OK	1,927		128	68	2,123
11	05/25/17 – 05/29/17	Tulsa, OK	2,628	145	137	87	2,997
12	06/05/17 – 06/06/17	New York, NY	1,588	340	111	162	2,201
13	06/07/17 – 06/11/17	Cincinnati, OH Rome, Italy Bologna, Italy	6,688	1,339	603	368	8,998
14	06/15/17 – 06/19/17	Tulsa, OK				68	68
15	06/21/17 – 06/21/17	Manhattan, NY				123	123
16	06/22/17 – 06/26/17	Tulsa, OK	2,604		128	68	2,799
17	06/30/17 – 06/30/17	Manhattan, NY	646		56	121	823
18	07/06/17 – 07/06/17	Birmingham/ Wilsonville, AL	2,438		44	141	2,623
19	07/07/17 – 07/07/17	Cochran, GA	1,847		38	78	1,963
20	07/17/17 – 07/20/17	Salt Lake City, UT Minneapolis, MN Little Rock, AK	4,627	693	212	237	5,768
21	07/24/17 – 07/24/17	Charleston, SC	1,154	269	52	169	1,644
22	07/26/17 – 07/30/17	Tulsa, OK Oklahoma City, OK Guymon, OK	2,604		179	151	2,933
23	08/02/17 – 08/10/17	Indianapolis, IN Denver, CO Tulsa, OK Des Moines, IA Grand Forks, ND	4,979	1,376	394	432	7,180
24	08/21/17 – 08/21/17	Mexico City, Mexico				68	68

	Travel Period	Destination	Airfare ^a	Lodging ^b	Meals & incidental expenses	Other ^c	Total ^d
25	08/23/17 – 08/24/17	Lincoln, NE				68	68
26	08/30/17 – 09/05/17	Corpus Christi, TX Tulsa, OK	3,703			228	3,931
27	08/31/17 – 09/08/17	Sydney, Australia	600	1,230		97	1,927
28	09/09/17 – 09/10/17	Thurmont, MD			10	15	25
29	09/14/17 – 09/19/17	Houston, TX Tulsa, OK New York, NY	3,330	804	194	79	4,407
30	09/27/17 – 09/28/17	New York, NY	1,791	595	111	174	2,672
31	10/04/17 – 10/09/17	Cincinnati, OH Colorado Springs, CO Phoenix, AZ Tulsa, OK Lexington, KY	4,813	468	198	228	5,706
32	10/11/17 – 10/12/17	Jackson, MS	2,978	93	65	137	3,272
33	10/19/17 – 10/20/17	Houston, TX Omaha, NE	3,610	107	96	166	3,979
34	10/23/17 – 10/23/17	Nashville, TN	2,744		44	88	2,877
35	10/27/17 – 10/30/17	New Orleans, LA Tulsa, OK	2,076		38	189	2,303
36	11/08/17 – 11/08/17	Chicago, IL	1,172		56	90	1,317
37	11/09/17 – 11/09/17	Kiawah Island, SC	2,866		52	238	3,155
38	11/27/17 – 11/27/17	Orlando, FL	2,056		44	121	2,221
39	11/30/17 – 12/04/17	Louisville, KY Des Moines, IA Tulsa, OK	3,197	109	89	91	3,486
40	12/09/17 – 12/13/17	Rabat, Morocco	16,164	863	529	76	17,631
		Total	\$93,783	\$9,972	\$4,976	\$5,757	\$114,487
		Percent of Total	81.9%	8.7%	4.3%	5.0%	100%

Source: OIG analysis of travel data from the EPA's Compass Data Warehouse and travel vouchers provided by the agency.

Note: Numbers in ***bold italics*** are slightly off due to rounding.

^a Starting early May 2017, most of the former Administrator's flights were premium class (first or business).

^b Lodging and meals and incidental expenses are a low percentage of the total costs because the former Administrator generally did not claim lodging and sometimes did not claim meal and incidental expenses for his trips to, and stops in, Tulsa; he generally stayed at his residence in Tulsa. However, costs were incurred by other, associated travelers.

^c Other costs included travel agent services fees, voucher fees and miscellaneous costs.

^d Total amount does not include military and chartered flight costs as they were mostly paid outside of the travel system and were not part of the former Administrator's vouchers.

^e The former Administrator did not incur costs related to this trip but costs were incurred by other, associated travelers.

Agency Response to Draft Report and OIG Comments



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Response to the November 26, 2018, Office of Inspector General's Draft Report, "Actions Needed to Strengthen Controls over the EPA Administrator's and Associated Staff's Travel", Project No. OA-FY17-0382

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TO: Charles Sheehan, Acting Inspector General
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Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the issues and recommendations presented in the Office of Inspector General Draft Report, Project No. OA-FY17-0382 pertaining to the former Administrator's and associated staff's travel. The agency has already completed corrective actions in accordance with certain recommendations prescribed in the Draft Report and has also implemented additional controls above and beyond those suggested by the OIG. For example, the former Administrator issued a memorandum requiring final approval over expenditures made by agency personnel over \$5,000 on his behalf to execute official duties by two of the three individuals: Deputy Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, or Chief of Staff. This control has continued since former Administrator Pruitt's departure.

The agency does, however, disagree with some of the facts listed in the draft report. In some cases, the recommendations made in the Draft Report go above and beyond requirements in the Federal Travel Regulation. In other cases, full consideration of supporting documentation and/or justifications provided to support our response were not accepted and were not included in the Draft Report. Our specific comments are below.

OIG Response 1: Our responses are in the detail sections below under **OIG Responses 2 through 26.**

Chapter 2: Frequency, Cost, and Extent of the Former Administrator's Official Travel

Chapter 2 of the draft report states that "Travel costs associated with the former Administrator's official travel totaled \$985,037, including \$878,336 for the 34 trips taken and \$106,701 for the six trips canceled." These totals include flights, hotels, and other travel expenses submitted to the Agency. However, of that amount, the OIG only "questioned excess airfare of \$123,941 associated with first/business-class trips taken by the former Administrator from March to December 2017."¹⁶ We have performed an analysis of the \$123,941, as recommended by the OIG in recommendation No. 1, and discuss our findings in the next section below.

Chapter 2 of the draft report states that the "former Administrator canceled six trips consisting of four domestic and two international trips. Although trips were canceled, travelers incurred costs resulting from cancellation fees/no-show hotel charges, and service fees." The agency provided detailed rationale and documentation for the trip cancellations, to include Hurricane Harvey and other justifiable and legitimate reasons.

OIG Response 2: Based on information provided by the agency, we added the trip cancellation rationales to Appendix B.

Chapter 2 of the draft report states that "six of the 16 Tulsa trips, the former Administrator cited being on official business." The OIG also found that "[the OIG] identified no specific criteria that would limit the Administrator's travel to, or stops in, Tulsa for the weekend or otherwise."¹⁷ It appears that the OIG does not question the reasons for the former Administrator's stops in Tulsa nor questions the official purposes for six of sixteen business reasons for visiting Tulsa.¹⁸ The OIG argues that the agency did not provide copies of requests from external parties for any of these six trips to Tulsa for official business and the travel documents did not contain the details to support the alternative travel required under EPA policy. The Agency provided OIG with travel authorizations and vouchers that articulated the official business descriptions in the justification section. The travel documents included justifications that shows that cost comparisons were completed and many of the trips turned out to be a "no cost" to the government. The Agency demonstrated that vouchers for "most of these trips indicated that the former Administrator paid his own airfare to Tulsa for the weekend." The agency demonstrated that vouchers for "most of these trips indicated that the former Administrator paid his own airfare to Tulsa for the weekend."¹⁹ Additionally, the Agency provided adequate cost comparison justification to determine the most advantageous method of travel.²⁰

¹⁶ US EPA, Office of Inspector General, Project No. OA-FY17-0382, *Draft Report "Actions Needed to Strengthen Controls over the EPA Administrator's and Associated Staff's Travel"* at pg 11. (February 11, 2019).

¹⁷ *Id.* at pg. 9.

¹⁸ *Id.*

¹⁹ *Id.*

²⁰ See generally, Federal Travel Regulations, 41 Code of Federal Regulations, Chapters 300 through 304 (<http://gsa.gov/ptr>); EPA Travel Policy Procedure, "Resource Management Director System 2550B." (April 27, 2018)

OIG Response 3. The rationale for the trips to Tulsa, and whether the trips were in line with the EPA's mission, were within the discretion of the former Administrator and outside the scope of our audit. Our audit objectives were to provide factual information about the former Administrators' travel to determine whether the EPA's travel policy was adequately designed and if the policy and procedures were followed. For the former Administrator's stops in Tulsa, our audit only addresses whether the stops resulted in additional costs to the government.

We accepted the official trip purposes stated in the travel documents and summarized the costs incurred in connection with the former Administrator's trips based on the travel documents. When the travel documents state that the former Administrator paid his own way to or from Tulsa, it does not mean there were no costs to the government, as not all related costs, such as additional PSD costs, were considered. In Chapter 4 of this report, *Missing Detailed Support for Trips with Stops in Tulsa*, we cited examples of what factors the agency did not consider when stating there was "no cost" to the government.

Chapter 2 of the draft report states that "the former Administrator's travel authorizations with alternative travel included some cost comparisons for his self-initiated weekend stops in Tulsa." The OIG further states "the comparisons did not contain the required detail to support the alternative travel required under EPA policy."²¹ The Agency disagrees with OIG's presumption that the cost comparisons and detailed information to support alternative travel was not sufficient to support these facts. The agency's travel policy provides instructions for the use of non-contract carriers. As long as the selected fare is compliant with the exceptions for use of non-contract carriers as stated in the agency's travel policy and FTR, the traveler selects a reason for use of a non-contract carrier within the agency's travel system (via a selection within Concur), along with justification, prior to approval. Furthermore, the costs associated with the former Administrator's trips with stops in Tulsa included the most advantageous method of travel.

Finally, on April 27, 2018 the former Administrator issued an Agency policy regarding the Office of the Administrator approval process for Administrator expenses. Specifically, the policy states "effectively immediately, the Deputy Administrator, Chief of Staff, and Chief Financial Officer will have final approval over expenditures by agency personnel over \$5000 made on my behalf to execute my official duties. Implementation guidance will be forthcoming from the Deputy Administrator, Chief of Staff, and the Chief Financial Officer."²² This Agency policy continues to be in effect in the Office of the Administrator and goes above and beyond the FTR and EPA's travel policy. The Agency also provided to the OIG documentation that demonstrates implementation of this policy.

²¹ See fn. at pg. 3.

²² US EPA, Office of the Administrator, Final Policy from E. Scott Pruitt, Administrator, to Deputy Administrator, Assistant Administrators, and Regional Administrators, "Approval Process for Administrator Expenses. (April 27, 2018).

OIG Response 4. We addressed the agency's comments on the use of non-contract carriers in *OIG Response 10* and under Chapter 4, in the *Justification for Use of Non-Contract Air Carriers Not Always Documented* section.

The new approval requirement in the agency's policy for trips with expenditures over \$5,000 does not affect the travel information presented in Chapter 2. The purpose of this chapter is to summarize the former Administrator's travel based on the travel documents and information provided by the agency. Our position on the new approval requirement is addressed in *OIG Responses 13, 14, 19 and 21* below.

Chapter 3: Administrator Pruitt's Use of First/Business-Class Travel Questioned as Unnecessary

The *OIG* questioned airfare associated with first/business-class trips taken by the former Administrator. The estimated amount in question was \$123,941. As Chapter 3, Table 3 demonstrates, the *OIG* attributes \$61,971 of the \$123,941 specifically to first class airfare associated directly with the former Administrator.²³ Our analysis of these trips concludes that all remaining charges attributed to the former Administrator are valid. Specifically:

- One trip, to Colorado Springs, CO and Tulsa, OK on May 11, 2017, did not contain all approval documentation as required by EPA policy. However, included instead was a memorandum, dated May 1, 2017, from the Office of Protective Services Detail advising against coach-class accommodations. Although the Office of the Administrator did not seek approval from the Office of the Chief Financial Officer for this trip, the justification for use of first-class accommodations was provided and consistent with Federal Travel Regulation §301-10.123. Based upon the provided justification from PSD, there is no legal justification to recover any additional costs incurred.
- One trip, to Tulsa, OK for the travel period May 4, 2017 – May 8, 2017 was cancelled.
- The stay in Tulsa before and after the trip during the period August 30, 2017 – September 5, 2017 was cited in Table 3, Note 2, as for personal reasons. It should be noted that the former Administrator was on personal leave and was then called back to duty. EPA's travel policy states that employees who are on leave from their official duty station and are required to return to duty to perform official business receive reimbursement for the cost of returning to their official station and the cost of returning to leave after the official business is complete.

²³ See fn. 1.

OIG Response 5: The former Administrator's portion of the \$123,942 in excessive airfare included many more trips than the three noted. A detailed schedule of the costs by trip is included in Chapter 3 of this report. The agency has not provided the analysis to support its conclusion that the \$61,971 attributed to the former Administrator is valid.

Furthermore, the costs represent our estimate of the additional costs incurred by using first and business class compared to coach-flight accommodations and not the total airfare amounts. The costs are unrelated to the purpose of the trip and lack of justification for first class or any other issue. It is also important to note that the focus of our audit was to evaluate EPA compliance with the FTR, policy and procedures, not to determine the allowability of the travel expenditures, as we are not conducting a voucher audit.

Our response to the agency's comments on the details of the trips are summarized below:

- May 11, 2017, trip to Colorado Springs, CO, and Tulsa, OK
The May 1, 2017, memorandum was from a PSD agent to the former Administrator's travel coordinator. Neither employee had the authority to approve first-class accommodation. As a result, we do not consider the memorandum a valid justification for using first-class flights. These costs were retroactively approved by the Controller in a memorandum dated March 28, 2019. However, we disagree with the retroactive approval because the agency has not provided sufficient justification to support that valid security concerns existed at the time, as documented in Chapter 4 of this report and our PSD report noted in the *Prior Audit Reports* section (Report No. 18-P-0239).
- May 4-8, 2017, trip to Tulsa, OK
The travel voucher indicated \$1,043.09 was incurred and reimbursed for this trip, including airfare of \$847.60 for flights from Washington, D.C., to Tulsa on May 4, 2017; and Detroit to Washington, D.C., on May 8, 2017. There was no indication of the trip being canceled.
- August 30-September 5, 2017, trip
Again, the cost represents the additional costs incurred for using first/business-class flights, not whether the agency should have paid for the trip. Therefore, the reason the former Administrator was in Tulsa before and after the trip has no impact on the excessive costs.

The remaining \$61,971 of the \$123,941 is attributed to the former Administrator's PSD. We noted that the OIG simply doubled the \$61,971 attributed to the former Administrator to account for the PSD travel costs under the assumption that a PSD agent always accompanied the former Administrator in first class. Furthermore, during our review we discovered that PSD agents were not always ticketed in first class for the trips in question. For example, the former Administrator travelled to Charleston, SC on November 9, 2017 in first class. However, the former Administrator's PSD did not travel to Charleston, SC on November 9, 2017 in first or business class.

OIG Response 6. We agree that the amount estimated for the PSD was simply doubling the amount determined for the former Administrator. As noted in the report, this was an estimate based on our understanding from discussions with the PSD that, due to security protocols, an agent was required to fly with and sit near the former Administrator.

On April 22, 2019, after the draft report response period, the agency provided a schedule of its estimate of the excess costs for the PSD agents accompanying the former Administrator in first and business class. The schedule shows there were no PSD agents accompanying the former Administrator in first and business class on eight trips, with a revised estimated excess airfare of \$35,980 for the PSD agents.

We performed a limited review of the cost schedule and noted several discrepancies between the schedule and the documents in the EPA's official travel system, Concur. For example, for four of the trips, the agency's PSD cost schedule shows "No PSD/Staff Premium Travel Costs" while travel documents in Concur show PSD agents on the same first-class flights as the former Administrator. As a result of the noted deficiencies, we cannot rely on the PSD cost schedule provided by the agency. Our estimated excess airfare amount of \$61,971 for the PSD agents for first/business-class travel will remain unchanged.

The agency's review and conclusion that the former Administrator was not accompanied by PSD agents in first and business class for several of trips raises a doubt as to whether the former Administrator's first/business-class flights were necessary for security reasons. The cornerstone of the agency's stated justification for PSD agents traveling first class was that the PSD agents could not always sit in close proximity to properly protect the former Administrator when flying coach class.

Chapter 3 of the draft report also states "Agency officials requested and granted first/business-class exceptions to the former Administrator and the PSD agents who accompanied him based on the security exception in the FTR. However, the exceptions were granted without sufficient justification to support endangerment of the former Administrator's life, one of the circumstances for exception contained in the FTR." We disagree with the OIG's presumption that the justification provided was not sufficient to support the exception. The security exception was granted based on a June 1, 2017 memorandum which made note of the prevailing security assessments provided by the PSD and potential threat information obtained from the EPA OIG. This documentation is consistent with the requirements for the exception outlined by the FTR. The draft report appears to assume that more complex assessment of threats against the Administrator can reduce or eliminate the need for physical protection of a particular standard, thereby reducing costs. That is not the case.

At EPA, the OIG Office of Investigations sets policy, coordinates, and has overall responsibility for criminal investigations of allegations of threats against EPA employees. If the threats are against the Administrator, the OIG shares its information with the PSD. The EPA Office of Homeland Security (OHS) provides information to the PSD on any potential national security threats – domestic or international. The PSD uses information from OHS and the OIG, as well as open-source information and information from our federal/state/local law enforcement partners, to provide protection. EPA will continue this information collection to identify risks to

the safety of the EPA Administrator and to mitigate known threats. The PSD will share this information with the Office of the Administrator to allow that Office to administratively determine if the threats or other indications of risk warrant continued provision of protective services and to learn the preferences of the protectee.

OIG Response 7: The OIG was not involved, and the agency did not provide evidence of its consultation with the Office of Homeland Security (OHS) prior to the approval of the former Administrator's exception on June 2, 2017. As stated in the report, the package the OIG provided at the agency's request was dated August 16, 2017—two-and-a-half months after the exception approval. We also met with the Controller and acting Deputy General Counsel, on separate occasions, to obtain background information on the exception. We were advised that the agency held two meetings prior to the exception approval. Both agency officials said the meetings were attended by the PSD, OGC and OA, and the OIG or OHS were never mentioned as attendees. The acting Deputy General Counsel also provided the meeting invitations with the listing of attendees, which did not indicate OIG or OHS representatives were invited. In meetings with the OIG, the acting Deputy General Counsel specifically confirmed that the OIG or OHS were not present and had not discussed any threat or threat assessments prior to the exception approval while she was present. The Controller and the acting Deputy General Counsel also stated that they did not have the security clearance needed to be involved in discussions regarding the security concerns.

The agency further stated that the PSD also used open-source information and information from federal/state/local law enforcement partners for its decision. However, the agency has not mentioned open-source information or law enforcement partners in prior meetings and the agency has not provided documentation to support this statement.

Chapter 4: Actions Needed to Strengthen Internal Controls over Travel

Delegation for Approval of Administrator's Travel and EPA Policy for Granting Exceptions

The report indicated two instances where it found that the approval of the Administrator's travel had been improper because the individual approving it did not have delegated authority. EPA's RMDS 2550B, Official Travel, Section V, Travel Accommodations requires that EPA employees use coach class for official travel unless delegated officials grant an exception for a higher class. The Chief Financial Officer and Deputy Chief Financial Officer are delegated the authority to approve the use of other than coach class for the Administrator. In accordance with EPA Delegation 1-17A, Domestic Travel, a formal signed delegation, from the former CFO in the previous administration to the Controller was in effect at the time the exception was granted. The Acting CFO and the Acting Controller were both unaware of a limitation in the redelegation that restricted the Controller's approval authority to agency employees at the office director level or below, which would not include the Administrator. However, the Acting CFO did not object to the Acting Controller's role of approving first class travel, and he orally concurred in the determination. Because the Acting Controller was operating pursuant to this implicit authority, the approvals for the Administrator's travel were valid. The Office of General Counsel has rendered an opinion on the delegated authority that is included at the end of this response.

OIG Response 8. The OIG identified more than two instances where the former Administrator's travel above coach class had been approved without proper authority. Starting May 16, 2017, the former Administrator had traveled almost exclusively above coach class (mostly first class) based on an exception approved by an individual who at the time did not have the authority to grant such approval.

It should be noted that the OGC opinion was initiated internally within the agency and not at the OIG's request. As stated in the report, we disagree with the opinion rendered by OGC staff contending that the acting Controller was operating pursuant to an implied delegation of authority from the acting Chief Financial Officer and, therefore, the approvals for the former Administrator's travel were valid. The OGC's contention is based on its understanding that the acting Chief Financial Officer did not object to the acting Controller's role of approving first-class travel and he orally concurred in the determination.

The agency's position contradicts the EPA's expressed, written governing tenets for delegations and redelegations of authority—namely, that the agency officials must not exceed the authority granted to them and that all delegations and redelegations are to be made in writing. See EPA 1200 Delegation Manual, Introduction, Section 2(5)-(6).

The agency's position would allow restrictions in explicit written delegations to be nullified by the mere claim by any agency official that he/she is unaware of the limits of his/her authority. The OIG believes such a position is entirely contrary to sound, principled management practices incumbent on all agencies. Furthermore, contrary to the OGC's opinion, the agency's March 28, 2019, memorandum acknowledges that the acting Controller did **not** have proper authority to approve other than coach-class accommodation.

Improper Granting of First/Business-Class Exceptions

The report indicated the agency did not comply with the FTR because “the former Administrator and PSD agents traveling with him used the same exception approval as the basis for justifying first/business-class travel for all trips taken after May 15, 2017- *the effective date of the approval*. There was no evidence of a trip-by trip analysis or separate approval by the Controller for each trip as required by the FTR.” Although this would be the best practice, the FTR does not require separate written approvals where, as here, the PSD agent affirmed before each trip that the threat continued to exist.

Counsel has rendered an opinion on the delegated authority that is included at the end of this response.

OIG Response 9. Note 2 to FTR §301-10.123 states that “blanket authorization of other than coach-class transportation accommodations is prohibited and shall be authorized on an individual trip-by-trip basis, unless the traveler has an up-to-date documented disability or special need.” The trip-by-trip approval is also required under EPA policy. The Office of the Controller confirmed through email correspondence with the OIG that first/business-class travel must be approved on a trip-by-trip basis. The agency did not provide any evidence to support that the PSD affirmed before each trip that the threat continued to exist. There is no evidence of trip-by-trip approval for the former Administrator from the Chief Financial Officer or Deputy Chief Financial Officer. In addition, there is no evidence of trip-by-trip approval for PSD agents. See Response 8 for our concerns about the OGC staff opinion on “implied delegation.”

On March 28, 2019, the Controller provided retroactive approval for all first-class accommodations during fiscal years 2017 and 2018 for the former Administrator, his protective detail and staff. However, we disagree with the retroactive approval because the agency has not provided sufficient justification to support that valid security concerns existed for the periods in question, as documented in Chapter 4 of this report and our audit of the PSD noted in the *Prior Audit Reports* section (Report No. 18-P-0239).

Unjustified Use of Non-Contract Air Carriers

The agency disagrees with the assertion that the former Administrator, his staff and PSD agents used non-contract carriers without proper justification. As noted in the Draft Report, the EPA complies with GSA’s city-pair contract and our travel policy requires the use of contract carriers unless a specific exception applies.

The former Administrator, his staff and PSD agents each contacted the Travel Management Center (BCD), an EPA contractor, to purchase the non-contract carrier fares. BCD is required to follow the FTR per an MOU with the agency. There is no separate requirement in the EPA/BCD contract for BCD to document the justification for selecting non-contract carriers – only the requirement that BCD follow the FTR. The agency recommended that the OIG inquire of BCD regarding the questioned trips, and they did not. Without such additional evidence, we disagree with the assertion that the agency has not demonstrated that an FTR exception was met for using other than city-pair contract fares, and do not concur with recommendation No. 5.

OIG Response 10: BCD compliance with the FTR was beyond the scope of the audit. Further, the EPA's use of BCD does not relieve either the traveler's or agency's responsibility for complying with the FTR and EPA policy.

The FTR and the EPA travel policy require the use of a contract carrier unless one of the FTR exceptions in §301-10.107 applies. FTR § 301-10.108 also requires the agency to determine that the proposed non-contract transportation is practical and cost effective for the government. The agency used the Concur selection *contract fare used or no contract fare exists for city-pair market*. The former Administrator did not include additional narrative in the text box to provide justification for the use of a non-contract carrier. For the staff and PSD agents, some of the trips had additional comments for justification in the vouchers or travel authorizations in addition to the Concur selection justification, but many did not.

Our analysis of the former Administrator's travel showed that, in most instances, the statement in the Concur selection was not true. Our search showed that there were contract fares for the routes traveled but the travelers selected the non-contract carriers and did not always include an explanation. Use of the selection alone does not provide the details to verify that an exception applies or a cost-effectiveness determination was made.

Unjustified Use of First/Business-Class Flights and Carriers

Chapter 3 of the draft report states "Agency officials requested and granted first/business-class exceptions to the former Administrator and the PSD agents who accompanied him based on the security exception in the FTR. However, the exceptions were granted without sufficient justification to support endangerment of the former Administrator's life, one of the circumstances for exception contained in the FTR. The exception for the former Administrator was also approved by an agency official who did not have the appropriate approval authority."²⁴

The agency disagrees and concludes that the "services that the PSD provides to the Administrator are based on unsupported management decisions and discretion" were a justified level of protections services.²⁵ If the threats are against the Administrator, the OIG shares its information with the PSD. The EPA Office of Homeland Security provides information to the PSD on any potential national security threats – domestic or international. The PSD uses information from multiple sources, including open-source information and information from our federal/state/local law enforcement partners, to provide protection. Therefore, the Agency's position is that the exceptions were granted with sufficient justification and analysis from PSD and multiple sources. The Agency concluded that there was sufficient justification to support the exception which made note of the prevailing security assessments provided by the PSD and high volume of potential threat information obtained from the EPA OIG.

²⁴ See fn. 9.

²⁵ US EPA, Office of Inspector General Draft Report, Project No. OPE-FY16-0265, "Response to the May 30, 2018, Office of Inspector General's Draft Report, Agents Assigned to Protective Service Detail Lack Statutory Authority to Protect the EPA Administrator" at pg. 39 (June 29, 2018)

Lastly, as described above, we disagree with recommendation No. 6 as a requirement of our contract with BCD is compliance with the FTR, and our contract does not prescribe the manner by which they demonstrate such compliance. We would encourage the OIG to inquire of BCD regarding the questioned trips for documentation that the trips in question met an exception under the FTR.

OIG Response 11: As explained in OIG Response 7, the agency provided no evidence to support OIG involvement or the agency's consultation with the OHS prior to the former Administrator's June 2, 2017, exception approval. Further, the agency has not provided any documentation, either under this audit or our audit of the PSD noted in the *Prior Audit Reports* section (OIG Report No. 18-P-0239), to support its statement that the PSD used open-source information and information from federal/state/local law enforcement partners for its decision.

Improper Approval of Staff and PSD Use of Business-Class Travel

The agency disagrees with recommendation No. 12, as sufficient controls are in place through agency travel policy and related agreements requiring compliance with the FTR that are agreed to by contractor provided travel related services. With respect to a review of all business class travel claimed for the staff and PSD agents who accompanied the former Administrator was properly reviewed and approved in accordance with agency policy. In reference to the PSD agent who flew from Oklahoma City to Washington D.C., the agency reviewed the travel voucher and determined the PSD agent traveled coach during the trip, not business class. In another instance, the agency disagrees with the assertion that the justification for a staff member traveling with the former Administrator did not contain sufficient analysis. Documentation was presented to the OIG to support the constructive costs and urgency of mission.

OIG Response 12: As previously discussed with the agency, the OIG removed discussion of the issue on the Oklahoma City trip from this report. For the remaining trips, the *Improper Approval of Staff and PSD Use of Business-Class Travel for International Travel* section provides detailed explanations to support our conclusion that the approvals did not address the constructive costs and mission urgency.

RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION 1: *We recommend that the Deputy Administrator Evaluate and determine whether the increased airfare costs of \$123,941 related to the former Administrator's use of first/business class travel without sufficient justification and proper approval for the period March 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017, should be recovered and, if so, from which responsible official or officials, and direct recovery of the funds.*

- The agency agrees with the recommendation. The Office of the Controller completed an analysis and determined that all of the \$123, 941 incurred between March 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017, is valid.
- In addition, the former Administrator issued a memorandum requiring final approval over expenditures made by agency personnel over \$5,000 on his behalf to execute official

duties by two of the three individuals: Deputy Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, or Chief of Staff. This control has continued since former Administrator Pruitt's departure. The agency has also provided additional training to those who prepare travel for senior officials.

OIG Response 13: We acknowledge that the agency determined and asserts that the \$123,942 represents valid costs. However, we disagree with the agency's determination. The agency has not provided support for its review of the 2017 costs.

Since its formal response, the agency has taken additional actions to redelegate the authority to the Controller and retroactively approve the other coach-class accommodations for all 2017 trips. We accept the agency's redelegation and retroactive approval as correcting the delegation and the Controller's retroactive approval authority issue. However, we disagree with the retroactive approval because the agency has not provided sufficient justification to support that valid security concerns existed for the periods in question, as documented in Chapter 4 of this report and our audit of the PSD noted in the *Prior Audit Reports* section (Report No. 18-P-0239). Details are explained in this report's Chapter 4 and Appendix D, *OIG Responses 7 to 9*.

Although the agency's new policy requirement for trip expenditures over \$5,000 would increase the review by senior management, which could strengthen controls for the future, it does not resolve the excessive costs incurred in 2017 because the new policy was not issued until April 27, 2018.

Based on the discussions above, we consider Recommendation 1 to be unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

RECOMMENDATION 2: *We recommend that the Deputy Administrator, for the period January 1, 2018, through his resignation in July 2018, evaluate and determine whether any costs related to the former Administrator's use of first/business class travel without sufficient justification and proper approval should be recovered and, if so, from which responsible official or officials, and direct recovery of the funds.*

- The agency agrees with the recommendation. The agency reviewed former Administrator's travel for the period January 1, 2018, through his resignation in July 2018. Travel reviewed had sufficient justification and proper approval.
- In addition, the former Administrator issued a memorandum requiring final approval over expenditures made by agency personnel over \$5,000 on his behalf to execute official duties by two of the three individuals: Deputy Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, or Chief of Staff. This control has continued since former Administrator Pruitt's departure. The agency has also provided additional training to those who prepare travel for senior officials.

OIG Response 14: We disagree with the agency's determination that the former Administrator's travel for the period January to July 2018 had sufficient justification and proper approval. The agency conducted a voucher review for the time period.

Since its formal response, the agency has taken additional actions to redelegate the authority to the Controller and retroactively approve the 2018 other than coach-class accommodations. However, we disagree with the retroactive approval because the agency has not provided sufficient justification to support that valid security concerns existed for the periods in question, as documented in Chapter 4 of this report and our report on the PSD noted in the *Prior Audit Reports* section (Report No. 18-P-0239).

While the new approval requirement for trip expenditures over \$5,000 would increase the review by senior management and strengthen the controls for the future, the policy memorandum was issued on April 27, 2018; therefore, the new requirement would not have covered the costs incurred from January 1 to April 27, 2018.

Due to reasons stated in the paragraph above, we consider Recommendation 2 unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

RECOMMENDATION 3: *We recommend that the Chief Financial Officer implement controls to verify the approving official has adequate authority prior to granting first/business class exceptions.*

- The agency disagrees with the recommendation as sufficient controls were established for first/business class trips. An approved justification, in accordance with Federal Travel Regulations, is required for first and business-class travel before an exception is granted. The agency followed these policies based on consultation with GSA and OGC.

OIG Response 15: We disagree that sufficient controls were established to verify that the approving official had adequate authority. As explained in the *First Business-Class Exceptions Granted Without Sufficient Justification to Support Security Concern* section, the first/business-class exception for the former Administrator was approved by the Controller who, at the time, had not been delegated the authority for such approval.

Subsequent to the draft report response, the agency has taken steps to redelegate the approval authority to the Controller and retroactively approve all other than coach-class accommodations (first-class) for former Administrator Pruitt, the PSD and support staff that occurred during the fiscal years 2017 and 2018. Details are explained in the *Actions Taken* section under *First Business-Class Exceptions Granted Without Sufficient Justification to Support Security Concern*. We consider Recommendation 3 to be completed.

RECOMMENDATION 4: *We recommend that the Chief Financial Officer implement controls agency-wide to verify that the use of other than coach-class travel is properly justified and documented prior to approval of the travel authorization.*

- The agency disagrees with this recommendation as sufficient controls are in place to ensure proper justification and approval for use of other than coach-class travel exist and are being followed.

OIG Response 16: We disagree that sufficient controls are in place. As discussed in the report, the first/business-class exception for the former Administrator was granted without adequate support for security exceptions.

We consider Recommendation 4 unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

RECOMMENDATION 5: *We recommend that the Chief Financial Officer implement controls to verify contract fares are used unless they are properly justified and documented.*

- The agency disagrees with this recommendation. The agency's travel policy provides instructions for the use of non-contract carriers. As long as the selected fare is compliant with the exceptions for use of non-contract carriers as stated in the agency's travel policy and FTR, the traveler selects a reason for use of a non-contract carrier within the agency's travel system (via a selection option within Concur), along with justification, prior to approval.
- All travel accommodations prepared by the Travel Management Center (BCD) are booked in accordance with Federal Travel Regulations and the contract with Concur.

OIG Response 17: We disagree with the agency's statement "along with justification, prior to approval." As discussed in **OIG Response 10**, the Concur selection menu was used, but there was a lack of narrative justification. Also, the use of BCD does not relieve either the traveler's nor the agency's responsibility for complying with the FTR and EPA policy.

We consider Recommendation 5 unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

RECOMMENDATION 6: *We recommend that the Chief Financial Officer Clarify EPA policy in Resource Management Directive System 2550B on the requirements for justifying and documenting carrier/flight/airfare selection when there are no contract fares.*

- The agency disagrees with this recommendation as RMDS 2550B (page 50 – under "Use of City Pair Program") discusses the requirement for agency employees to use a contract carrier while traveling on official business unless one of the exceptions listed in the Federal Travel Regulations §301-10.17 is met.
- As long as the selected fare is compliant with the exceptions for use of non-contract carriers as stated in the agency's travel policy and FTR, the traveler selects a reason

for use of a non-contract carrier within the agency's travel system (via a selection within Concur), along with justification, prior to approval.

- All travel accommodations prepared by the Travel Management Center (BCD) are booked in accordance with Federal Travel Regulations.

OIG Response 18: We disagree with the agency's comments. The referenced RMDS section only stated that EPA employees must use a contract carrier when one is available unless a specific FTR §301-10.107 exception applies. It does not address how the exception is to be documented and approved. For example, it does not discuss the use of the selection nor the additional written narrative for justification in Concur. Also, the use of BCD does not relieve either the traveler's nor agency's responsibility for complying with the FTR and EPA policy.

We consider Recommendation 6 unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

RECOMMENDATION 7: *We recommend that the Chief of Staff implement controls within the Office of the Administrator to include adequate justification to support the use of first/business-class travel and for carrier/flight/airfare selection when there are no contract fares.*

- The agency disagrees with this recommendation as sufficient controls are in place to ensure proper justification and approval for use of other than coach-class travel exist and for carrier/flight/airfare selection when there are no contract fares are being followed. The former Administrator issued a memorandum requiring final approval over expenditures made by agency personnel over \$5,000 on his behalf to execute official duties by two of the three individuals: Deputy Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, or Chief of Staff. This control has continued since former Administrator Pruitt's departure. No separate or additional controls are required for the Office of the Administrator.

OIG Response 19: We disagree with the agency that sufficient controls are in place. Between May and December 2017, the former Administrator traveled mostly first class. The travel authorizations and vouchers did not provide documentation to justify that the carrier and flights selected were the lowest cost available or the most advantageous to the government.

The agency's new approval requirement for trip expenditures over \$5,000 would not resolve Recommendation 7. Since the agency continues to rely on BCD for FTR compliance and does not believe that additional controls are needed to verify that adequate justification to support the use of first/business-class travel and carrier/flight/airfare selection, such documentation is unlikely to be reviewed by senior management. Therefore, additional layers of review would not address the recommendations.

We consider Recommendation 7 unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

RECOMMENDATION 8: *We recommend that the Chief Financial Officer implement controls to verify appropriate approval and adequate justification for lodging over 150% of per diem and minimize after-the-fact approvals.*

- The agency agrees with the recommendation and OCFO is implementing controls in Concur to strengthen adequate justification and approval for lodging over 150% of per diem. Additionally, the former Administrator issued a memorandum requiring final approval over expenditures made by agency personnel over \$5,000 on his behalf to execute official duties by two of the three individuals: Deputy Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, or Chief of Staff. This control has continued since former Administrator Pruitt's departure.

Corrective Action Completion Date: Second quarter 2019

OIG Response 20: Subsequent to its formal response, the agency informed us that it has updated Concur to include a flag requiring additional justification be included for any voucher that exceeds lodging over 150 percent of per diem. We accept the agency's corrective action and consider Recommendation 8 completed.

RECOMMENDATION 9: *We recommend that the Chief of Staff implement controls within the Office of the Administrator to confirm that adequate cost comparisons are provided before approving travel authorizations where an alternative travel method is used.*

- The agency disagrees with this recommendation as sufficient controls are in place to ensure proper justification and approval for use of other than coach-class travel exist and are being followed. Additionally, the former Administrator issued a memorandum requiring final approval over expenditures made by agency personnel over \$5,000 on his behalf to execute official duties by two of the three individuals: Deputy Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, or Chief of Staff. This control has continued since former Administrator Pruitt's departure.

OIG Response 21: The agency's comment is nonresponsive to the OIG's recommendation. The agency addressed the use of other than coach-class travel but our recommendation is related to the former Administrator's trips with stops in Tulsa for personal reasons.

The agency's new approval requirement for trip expenditures over \$5,000 is not sufficient to resolve Recommendation 9. While additional layers of senior management review could help to strengthen the overall controls, it is unclear as to whether they would address the cost comparison issue if the agency accepts that "paying his own way" to the personal convenience travel location is sufficient to justify the choosing of an indirect travel route. In addition, the agency does not enforce its policy requirement for uploading to Concur the cost comparison supporting documents—such as the printed copy of the flights and prices for the direct route.

We consider Recommendation 9 unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

RECOMMENDATION 10: *We recommend that the Assistant Administrator for International and Tribal Affairs clarify the requirement and importance of trip reports for all international travel.*

- The agency agrees with the recommendation as The Office of International and Tribal Affairs will be releasing a new version of Fast International Approval of Travel (FIAT) system. This updated database sends travelers automated reminders of the requirement to complete a trip report in FIAT within 15 days of returning from international travel.

Corrective Action Completion Date: Second Quarter FY 2019

OIG Response 22: The agency concurred with our recommendation and provided an acceptable planned corrective action and completion date. Since its report response, the agency has revised its corrective action completion date to the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2019. We consider Recommendation 10 resolved with corrective action pending.

RECOMMENDATION 11: *We recommend that the Assistant Administrator for International and Tribal Affairs implement controls to verify that international trip reports are accurate and complete.*

- The agency agrees with the recommendation as The Office of International and Tribal Affairs will be releasing a new version of Fast International Approval of Travel (FIAT) system. The Office of International and Tribal Affairs has begun using the new version of FIAT, with the goal of releasing the system agency-wide in the early second quarter of FY 2019. This updated database sends travelers automated reminders of the requirement to complete a trip report in FIAT within 15 days of returning from international travel. The system also automatically fills in the dates of the trip based on the information that was entered in the International Travel Plan. To help National Program Offices and Regions ensure that their travelers' ITPs are complete and accurate, the trip report section of the new FIAT and the system's users guide will feature guidance for travelers regarding the type of information that a trip report should contain (i.e., a description of all major activities/meetings during the trip, the names of any foreign government officials with whom the traveler met, and any follow-up activities required of the EPA). The new system also will allow each NPM and regional International Travel Coordinator to view which ITPs do not contain trip reports.

Corrective Action Completion Date: Second Quarter FY 2019

OIG Response 23: The agency concurred with our recommendation and provided an acceptable planned corrective action and completion date. Since its report response, the agency has revised its corrective action completion date to the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2019. We consider Recommendation 11 resolved with corrective action pending.

RECOMMENDATION 12: *We recommend that the Chief Financial Officer implement controls to verify that the use of first/business-class travel complies with the requirements of the Federal Travel Regulation and EPA policy in Resource Management Directive System 2550B prior to approval of the travel authorization.*

- The agency disagrees with the recommendation as sufficient controls are in place through agency travel policy and related agreements requiring compliance with Federal Travel Regulations, that are agreed to by contractor provided travel related services.

OIG Response 24: We disagree that the agency has adequate controls in place. As explained in the report, we found that the use of business-class travel by the former Administrator's staff and PSD agents was not always approved in accordance with the FTR and/or EPA travel policy. We found that several PSD agents and the former Administrator's staff received approval for business-class travel without a formal request, as required by EPA policy. Others, who submitted a formal request, received approval without the required analysis.

We consider Recommendation 12 unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

RECOMMENDATION 13: *We recommend that the Chief Financial Officer provide guidance on documentation needed to support approval for first/business-class travel.*

- The agency agrees with the recommendation and provided training to those who prepare travel for senior officials.

Corrective Action Completion Date: June 2018

OIG Response 25: The corrective action did not completely address the recommendation. Training was provided, but there is no guidance for what documentation is required to support approval of first/business-class travel.

We consider Recommendation 13 unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

RECOMMENDATION 14: *We recommend that the Chief Financial Officer identify and review all-business-class travel claimed for the staff and Protective Service Detail agents who accompanied the former Administrator on travel from March 2017 through his resignation in July 2018, for proper approval. Where policy was not followed, recover any excess costs claimed for the use of business class.*

- The agency disagrees with the recommendation as proper approvals were provided to agency staff and Protective Service Detail agents accompanying the former Administrator on travel. As sufficient approval authority exists, there is no need to recover any costs.

OIG Response 26: The agency's comment is nonresponsive to our recommendation, which relates to the improper approval of business-class flights. Specifically, a sample of the travel vouchers revealed that several PSD agents and the former Administrator's staff used business-class flights for international trips without a formal request for such accommodation as required by EPA policy. Others, who submitted a formal request, received approval based solely on the fact that the total flight time exceeded 14 hours, and did not include the required analysis to address the constructive costs and mission urgency, as required by EPA policy and the FTR.

We consider Recommendation 14 unresolved with resolution efforts in progress.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding this response, please contact Bob Trent, Agency Audit Follow Up Coordinator on (202) 566-3983, or via email trent.bobbie@epa.gov or Michael Benton, OA's Audit Follow Up Coordinator on (202) 564-2860, or via email benton.michael@epa.gov.

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Washington, D.C. 20460

FEB 11 2019

OFFICE OF
GENERAL COUNSEL

SUBJECT: Authority to Grant First Class Exceptions under Delegations 1-17A and 1-17B

FROM: Angelia Talbert-Duarte 
Acting Associate General Counsel
Civil Rights and Finance Law Office

TO: Charles Sheehan
Acting Inspector General

This is in response to your request for a legal opinion on whether the Acting Controller had the delegated authority to grant exceptions for the Administrator's first class travel. As discussed below, the Acting Controller did have the authority to grant the first class exceptions.

Both Delegations 1-17A (for domestic travel) and 1-17B (for international travel) specifically state in section 2.b. that the Chief Financial Officer and the Deputy Chief Financial Officer have the authority to approve business class accommodations for the Administrator and first class accommodations for agency employees (which includes the Administrator). Section 3.e. in Delegation 1-17B also states that the Administrator must obtain approval from the Chief Financial Officer, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, or designee in order to travel in business class. Both delegations also provide (Delegation 1-17A, section 4.e and Delegation 1-17B, section 4.h.) that the Chief Financial Officer and the Deputy Chief Financial Officer may redelegate the authority to approve first class travel to the Director of the Office of the Controller (the Controller).

On March 1, 2012, the authority to approve first class travel was redelegated to the Director of the Office of Financial Management. In March 2016, the Office of Financial Management became the Office of the Controller, under an office reorganization, and on April 30, 2018 the authority was redelegated to the Controller, Office of the Controller. Both redelegations contain a limitation that restricts the approval authority to agency employees at the office director level or below, which would not include the Administrator.

The two first class travel exceptions at issue were granted on June 2, 2017 and June 5, 2017 by the Acting Controller. When the exceptions were granted, the Acting Chief Financial Officer and the Acting Controller were both unaware of the limitation in the redelegations. Not aware of this limitation, both the Acting Chief Financial Officer and the Acting Controller believed that the Acting Controller had been redelegated the authority to approve the Administrator's first class travel. Further, on May 3, 2017 an oral request to grant an exception, based on the Protective

Security Detail's (PSD) threat assessment, was presented to the Acting Controller. The Acting Controller met with the Acting CFO on May 11, 2017 and discussed that they would rely on the security professionals to determine that there was a threat. At that meeting, the Acting CFO agreed that the office would grant an exception for first class travel based on PSD's assessment.

While EPA's policy is to delegate authorities in writing, one court has found that if the supervisor is aware that an authority is being carried out by a subordinate and the supervisor does not object, the actions of that subordinate are valid pursuant to an "implied delegation." See *Parrish v. Shinseki*, 24 Vet. App. 391 (2011). Here, the Acting CFO was aware that the Acting Controller was approving first class travel for the Administrator. The Acting CFO was under the impression that the authority had been redelegated to that position, and further, did not object to the Acting Controller's role of approving first class travel. In fact, the Acting CFO expressed his approval of the determination when he met with the Acting CFO on May 11. Because the Acting Controller was operating pursuant to this implied redelegation, the exceptions for the Administrator's travel were valid.

Please contact me on 202-564-8158 or Elise Packard, Acting Deputy General Counsel on 202-564-7729 if you have any further questions.

cc: Holly Greaves
Kevin Christensen
John Trefry
Bobbie Trent



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

MAR 5 - 2019

OFFICE OF THE
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Redelegation of Authority to Approve Other than Coach-Class (First-Class) Accommodations for Official Travel

FROM: Holly W. Greaves, Chief Financial Officer
Office of the Chief Financial Officer *Holly W. Greaves*

THRU: *[Signature]* David A. Bloom, Deputy Chief Financial Officer
Office of the Chief Financial Officer

TO: Jeanne Conklin, Controller
Office of the Controller

PURPOSE

This memorandum supersedes the memo dated April 30, 2018 and redelegates the authority to approve other than coach-class (first-class) accommodations for official travel.

BACKGROUND

Delegation 1-17-A, Domestic Travel, dated June 28, 2018, Section 4.e., states the Chief Financial Officer and the Deputy Chief Financial Officer may redelegate to the Controller, in the Office of the Controller, the authority to approve other than coach-class (first-class) accommodations, including after-the-fact or post-travel waivers, for agency employees under the criteria provided in the Federal Travel Regulation and the agency travel policy. *Further redelegation is not permitted.*

Delegation 1-17-B, International (Foreign and Invitational-Foreign) Travel, dated June 28, 2018, Section 4.h., states the Chief Financial Officer and the Deputy Chief Financial Officer may redelegate to the position of the Controller, in the Office of the Controller, the authority to approve other than coach-class (first-class) accommodations, for agency employees under the criteria provided in the FTR and the agency travel policy. *Further redelegation is not permitted.*

EPA's travel delegations are available at <http://intranet.epa.gov/ohr/rmpolicy/ads/dm/toc.htm>.

REDELEGATIONS

1. Domestic Travel – Effective immediately, the CFO and DCFO redelegate to the Controller the authority to approve other than coach-class (first-class) accommodations, including after-the-fact or post-travel waivers, for agency employees under the criteria provided in the FTR and agency travel policy. *Further redelegation is not permitted.*
2. International Travel – Effective immediately, the CFO and DCFO redelegate to the Controller the authority to approve other than coach-class (first-class) accommodations, including after-the-fact or post-travel waivers, for agency employees under the criteria provided in the FTR and agency travel policy. *Further redelegation is not permitted.*

Any official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.

LIMITATIONS

As a matter of agency policy and ethical considerations, the Controller must not authorize or approve his or her own domestic or international travel. The CFO, DCFO or designee will approve all travel for the Controller.

cc: OCFO Senior Managers
Senior Resource Officials



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

MAR 7 8 2019

OFFICE OF THE
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Retroactive Approval of Other Than Coach-Class Accommodations

FROM: Jeanne Conklin, Controller
Office of the Controller

Jeanne Conklin

TO: Khary Nelson, Travel Chief
Cincinnati Finance Center

This memorandum serves as an intuitive approval for the prior Administrator, Scott Pruitt and his Protective Services Detail, support staff and, for all other than Coach-Class accommodations (First-Class) that occurred during the Fiscal Years 2017 and 2018, due to security reasons. The attachment is a listing of all First-Class accommodations for the stated timeframe requiring retroactive approval.

Delegation of Authority 1-17A Domestic Travel and Delegation of Authority 1-17B International (Foreign and Invitational) Travel both delegate the authority to approve First-Class accommodations for all agency employees to the Chief Financial Officer and Deputy Chief Financial Officer, which may be redelegated to the Controller, Office of the Controller.

During a review of Other Than Coach-Class Accommodations associated with the prior Administrator, his protective detail and staff, it was discovered that the Controller did not have redelegated authority to approve Other Than Coach-Class Accommodations (First-Class), for the Administrator. As a result of this review, the authority to approve First-Class accommodations needed to be redelegated to the Controller, and all First-Class accommodations during the Fiscal Years 2017 and 2018 for the prior Administrator, his protective detail and staff, needed to be retroactively approved.

Per the memorandum, "Redelegation of Authority to Approve Other than Coach-Class (First-Class) Accommodations for Official Travel", dated March 5, 2019, the Chief Financial Officer redelegated the authority to approve first-class accommodations to the Controller, the Office of the Controller. Per Federal Travel Regulations §301-10.123 and §301-10.124, approval of "Other Than Coach-Class" (First of Business-Class) is allowable when one or more of the following are met:

- No Coach-Class Accommodation Reasonably Available
- Medical Disability or Special Need (with documentation)
- Mission Critical
- Security Reasons
 - o Use of coach-class accommodations would endanger your life or Government property;

- You are an agent on protective detail and you are accompanying an individual authorized to use other than coach-class accommodations; or
- You are a courier or control officer accompanying controlled pouches or packages.

Agency requirements for the use of Other Than Coach-Class Accommodations are also discussed in Resource Management Directives System 2550B – Official Travel, located at http://intranet.epa.gov/ocfo/policies/direct/2550/2550b_official_travel.pdf. A copy of this memorandum should be attached to the travel vouchers. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Aileen Atcherson, Acting Director, Policy, Training & Accountability Division at (202) 564-2283.

Attachment

cc: OCFO-OC-MGRS
Helena Wooden-Aguilar
Henry Barnet



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

March 22, 2019

THE ADMINISTRATOR

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Amendments to Delegations 1-17A and 1-17B Relating to Other than Coach-Class Travel

FROM: Andrew R. Wheeler

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew R. Wheeler".

TO: Holly W. Greaves, Chief Financial Officer
Office of the Chief Financial Officer

Donna J. Vizian, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator
Office of Mission Support

I hereby approve the following amendments to Delegations 1-17A, 4.e and 4.i and 1-17B, 4.h and 4.k:

4. REDELEGATION OF AUTHORITY.

1-17A

4.e. The Chief Financial Officer and Deputy Chief Financial Officer redelegate to the Director, Office of the Controller, the authority to approve other than coach-class, first-class, accommodations, including after-the-fact or post-travel waivers, for the agency under the criteria provided in the federal travel regulation and agency travel policy. Further redelegation is not permitted.

4.i. Any official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.

1-17B

4.h. The Chief Financial Officer and Deputy Chief Financial Officer redelegate to the position of Director, Office of the Controller, the authority to approve other than coach-class, first-class, accommodations for the agency under the criteria provided in the federal travel regulation and agency travel policy. Further redelegation is not permitted.

4.k. Any official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.

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Message

From: Schiermeyer, Corry [schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/23/2019 5:34:11 PM
To: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]; Hewitt, James [hewitt.james@epa.gov]; McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Flint documentary -- ABC -- Stephanie Ebbs

Once finalized, we can: **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

From: Abboud, Michael
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 12:56 PM
To: Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Flint documentary -- ABC -- Stephanie Ebbs

Might be worthwhile for us to: **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

From: Konkus, John
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 12:54 PM
To: Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Flint documentary -- ABC -- Stephanie Ebbs

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From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 12:51 PM
To: Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Flint documentary -- ABC -- Stephanie Ebbs

See below – re: the flint documentary thanks ng

From: Lippert, Allison
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 12:48 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Rowan, Anne <rowan.anne@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Flint documentary

Allison Lippert
U.S. EPA Region 5
312-353-0967

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Ebbs, Stephanie" <Stephanie.Ebbs@abc.com>

Date: April 23, 2019 at 12:46:32 PM EDT

To: "Lippert, Allison" <lippert.allison@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Flint documentary

Hi Allison!

The piece is a check in on the city five years after the water was switched, so there's a bit of description of what happened but we mostly focused on the issues with trusting the water that many people say still present challenges in Flint.

It's set to publish early Thursday morning. It should be on abcnews.go.com, ABC News Live (our live channel on the site and on roku) and ABC's social platforms but I'd be happy to send you a link when it's posted. Once it's live the material will be made available to other ABC platforms like Nightline and World News Tonight, but at that point they kind of run with it and my partner and I aren't as directly involved

Stephanie Ebbs

ABC News-Washington

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@stephebbs

From: Lippert, Allison <lippert.allison@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 11:25:34 AM

To: Ebbs, Stephanie

Subject: Flint documentary

Hi Stephanie – are you able to tell us a little bit about the documentary you're working on and when/where it can be viewed?

Thank you,

Allison Lippert
U.S. EPA Region 5
312-353-0967

Message

From: Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/2/2019 9:29:03 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
CC: Murdie, Ashley [murdie.ashley@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Media request: ethanol/E15 announcement

Will check with OTAQ on the last question.

Maggie Sauerhage
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Office: (202) 564-0443
Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On May 31, 2019, at 6:57 PM, Murdie, Ashley <murdie.ashley@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Bengt,

Responses to your questions are below. For attribution to U.S. EPA, please.

For your last question, I'm copying our headquarters' Office of Public Affairs.

Kind regards,

Ashley Murdie | Public Affairs Specialist
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency | Region 7
Office: 913-551-7785 EPA Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: Bengt Halvorson <bengt.halvorson@internetbrands.com>
Sent: Friday, May 31, 2019 3:23 PM
To: Murdie, Ashley <murdie.ashley@epa.gov>
Subject: Media request: ethanol/E15 announcement

Hi Ashley,

Three questions about today's announcement, please:

- How soon can we expect to see the higher level of ethanol in pumps?

Retail stations will be permitted to sell E15 at the same RVP as E10 starting June 1, excluding in Federal reformulated gasoline areas and areas where existing state and local rules limit the RVP of gasoline. EPA is not pre-empting state and local rules on the matter.

- To what regions of the country does this apply?

The 1-psi waiver applies for E15 in the same way that the 1-psi waiver applies to E10 today. This is not nationwide, however, as the 1-psi waiver does not apply in Federal reformulated gasoline (RFG) areas and other state and local areas where their rules limit it. In such areas E15 can already use the same gasoline blendstocks as E10, so no 1-psi waiver is needed.

- The common argument against more ethanol in fuel tanks is that it contributes to smog. Does the EPA have any comprehensive number for how much the crops used for fuel reduce carbon dioxide?

For an answer to this question, I'm copying the EPA Headquarters Office of Public Affairs.

Thanks!

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Bengt Halvorson

Editor, Green Car Reports

bengt@internetbrands.com

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Message

From: Mears, Mary [Mears.Mary@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/2/2019 5:01:55 PM
To: Hewitt, James [hewitt.james@epa.gov]
CC: Carter, Brittany S. [carter.brittanys@epa.gov]; Rini, Sophia [Rini.Sophia@epa.gov]; Mata, Carsen [Mata.Carsen@epa.gov]; Prince, John [Prince.John@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Monday event?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) though I think they were still looking to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Brendon contacted me late in the afternoon and I believe Brendon also spoke late yesterday with Britt.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 2, 2019, at 11:56 AM, Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov> wrote:

Mary,

Apologies for the delayed response and thanks for checking with me first. We won't have a draft ready until late Monday morning. Given we are likely to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) ?

Thanks,
James

From: Mears, Mary
Sent: Friday, March 1, 2019 1:23 PM
To: Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; Carter, Brittany S. <carter.brittanys@epa.gov>
Cc: Rini, Sophia <Rini.Sophia@epa.gov>; Mata, Carsen <Mata.Carsen@epa.gov>; Prince, John <Prince.John@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Monday event?

Hi James and Britt,
Heard from Brendon at NJDEP again and he thinks Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) He asked if there was any way that
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) I of
course made no promises.
Based on past interactions, NJDEP would want to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) I didn't ask them
for that, as I wanted to check with you first, James.

Mary Mears
U.S. EPA Region 2
Public Affairs Director
(212) 637-3673 (office)
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From: Hewitt, James
Sent: Friday, March 1, 2019 11:59 AM
To: Carter, Brittany S. <carter.brittanys@epa.gov>; Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>
Cc: Rini, Sophia <Rini.Sophia@epa.gov>; Mata, Carsen <Mata.Carsen@epa.gov>; Prince, John

<Prince.John@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Monday event?

Okay to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Please hold on Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Carter, Brittany S.

Sent: Friday, March 1, 2019 11:57 AM

To: Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>

Cc: Rini, Sophia <Rini.Sophia@epa.gov>; Mata, Carsen <Mata.Carsen@epa.gov>; Prince, John <Prince.John@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Monday event?

Looping in James. Thanks Mary.

From: Mears, Mary

Sent: Friday, March 1, 2019 11:55 AM

To: Carter, Brittany S. <carter.brittany@epa.gov>

Cc: Rini, Sophia <Rini.Sophia@epa.gov>; Mata, Carsen <Mata.Carsen@epa.gov>; Prince, John <Prince.John@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: Monday event?

Hi Britt,

Is it OK for me to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) ? The state's SF Director has also reached out to our Deputy SF Director, who is cc:ed here.

Mary Mears

U.S. EPA Region 2

Public Affairs Director

(212) 637-3673 (office)

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From: Shank, Brendon <Brendon.Shank@dep.nj.gov>

Sent: Friday, March 1, 2019 11:47 AM

To: Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>

Subject: Monday event?

I heard from Britt Carter about the event on Monday. Keep me posted about what if anything is planned to be announced.

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S7, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone

Message

From: Laura Geggel [lgeggel@livescience.com]
Sent: 9/18/2015 12:55:48 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
CC: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry about Greenhouse gases (GHG)
Attachments: Landfill methane.pdf; Landfill Supplementary data.pdf

Dear Robert,

Thanks for your help. I have a typo in the below email, so please disregard it. Here's the updated email:

I'm a reporter with LiveScience.com, a news website that covers science for the general public. I'm covering a new study that looks at greenhouse gas emissions from landfills in the United States.

The study says that the EPA underestimated the amount of landfill waste in 2012 by as much as 140 million tons (according to the study, the EPA said 2012 landfill waste was 122 million tons, but the new study finds that landfill waste was actually 262 million tons).

Would the EPA like to comment on the new findings? I'm free to talk anytime today or Friday (Sept. 17 and 18).

The study is embargoed for 11 am ET on Monday, Sept. 21.
An emailed statement is also fine — I'm interested in these questions.

What do you think about the new study?

Do you have any concerns about its techniques or conclusions?

Does the new landfill waste estimate (262 million tons) seem more accurate than the EPA estimate (122 million tons)? Why or why not?

Many thanks!
Laura Geggel

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From: <Jones>, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Date: Thursday, September 17, 2015 at 7:22 PM
To: Laura Geggel <lgeggel@livescience.com>
Cc: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>, "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry about Greenhouse gases (GHG)

Laura,

I was unable to get a response tonight. My colleague, Robert Daguillard, copied here, will get you a response tomorrow as I am out of the office.

Enesta Jones

U.S. EPA, Office of Media Relations

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On Sep 17, 2015, at 2:05 PM, Laura Geggel <lgeggel@livescience.com> wrote:

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Many thanks!

Laura Geggel

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From: Marc Gunther [marc.gunther@gmail.com]
Sent: 9/6/2015 6:58:57 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: PITCH: Smart Growth Winners

Of course. best, Marc

On Sunday, September 6, 2015, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:
Thanks Marc. Please let me know when your cookstoves piece runs.

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On Sep 4, 2015, at 5:34 PM, Marc Gunther <marc.gunther@gmail.com> wrote:

Thanks, Enesta, but this is more about local communities and smart growth than it is about business, so I'm going pass.
Glad we met and thanks for arranging the interview with Jacob, which I really enjoyed.
best, Marc

On Fri, Sep 4, 2015 at 5:18 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Marc,
Nice to finally meet you in person.

I have a story to pitch with an obvious business angle. In two weeks, we will awarding three communities for their smart growth and neighborhood revitalization efforts.

Here are the winners -- under embargo. Please let me know if you are interested in pursuing a story. There is a media event with the Administrator and community representatives on 9/17 that you are welcome to attend.

Category: Plazas, Parks, and Public Places
Riverfront Park
Newark, NJ and Essex County, NJ

Riverfront Park fulfills a decades-long movement to reclaim the Passaic riverfront for the people of Newark, N.J. Situated on the cleaned-up site of a former metal smelting plant, the park provides Newark's only public access to the river and outdoor recreational space for a neighborhood where the amount of green space dedicated for use as parks is far below the national average. The 19-acre park is the result of a public engagement process that included more than 6,000 people. It is expected to attract new economic development, particularly to downtown Newark, and will eventually be part of a string of riverfront parks and trails that will stretch for five miles.

Category: Corridor or Neighborhood Revitalization
Jackson Walk
Jackson, TN

For years, Jackson, Tenn. has struggled to revitalize a declining downtown. In 2003, powerful tornados ripped away much of the downtown, destroying property and displacing residents and businesses. Jackson used the disaster as an opportunity to bring residents together to create a new vision for the downtown. That vision guided the development of Jackson Walk, a 20-acre mixed-use redevelopment district around a cleaned-up brownfield site that now provides affordable homes, new businesses, and a wellness center with an urgent care clinic. Increased property values have generated new tax revenues, and from 2012 to 2014, more than 30 new businesses opened, bringing jobs.

Category: Built Projects

**City of Hamilton and Historic Developers Public-Private Partnership
Hamilton, OH**

The “Rust Belt” city of Hamilton, Ohio, has become an emerging hub of innovation and revitalization. With creative vision, strategic planning, and community engagement, three downtown projects have reinvigorated the city’s central business district and set the stage for new economic development. As of May 2015, the projects’ collective \$17.2 million investment has spurred an additional \$15 million in investment in surrounding buildings, and the downtown occupancy rate has increased by 14 percent. The redevelopment has created a walkable, vibrant community in the historic neighborhood, with public transit connecting the area to the rest of the county.

Award winners were chosen based on their effectiveness in creating sustainable communities; fostering equitable development among public, private, and nonprofit stakeholders; and serving as national models for environmentally and economically sustainable development.

EPA created the National Award for Smart Growth Achievement in 2002 to highlight exceptional approaches to development that protect the environment and public health, encourage economic vitality, and enhance quality of life. To date, more than 900 communities have applied for the award. Sixty-two communities from 26 states have been selected for smart growth approaches that other states, tribes, cities, suburbs, and rural communities can use to create economically strong, environmentally responsible development. EPA’s Office of Sustainable Communities manages the awards program.

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Message

From: timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com [timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: 10/21/2015 3:24:22 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: PITCH: PITCH: Green Power Leaders: clean and renewable energy, and sustainable development

Would you like me to publish the release and profiles while I work up the other pieces?

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From: Enesta Jones <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Date: Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at 10:17 AM
To: Timothy Nixon <timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com>
Subject: Re: PITCH: PITCH: Green Power Leaders: clean and renewable energy, and sustainable development

Ok thanks.

Enesta Jones

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On Oct 21, 2015, at 11:13 AM, "timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com" <timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com> wrote:

Okay — thanks much. I'm buried in the 7 Reasons launch and a new GHG paper at the moment. That will soon pass :)

Tim

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From: Enesta Jones <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Date: Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at 10:08 AM
To: Timothy Nixon <timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com>
Cc: Enesta Jones <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: PITCH: PITCH: Green Power Leaders: clean and renewable energy, and sustainable development

Hi Timothy,

Here's one more Microsoft contact, probably a better one in PR:

Michelle Lancaster, Senior PR Manager, Microsoft; milanca@microsoft.com

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On Oct 20, 2015, at 5:43 PM, "timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com" <timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com> wrote:

Definitely. Lets do two:

Microsoft and Government of D.C.

Sound like a plan?

Tim

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Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at 4:38 PM
To: Timothy Nixon <timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com>
Subject: Re: PITCH: PITCH: Green Power Leaders: clean and renewable energy, and sustainable development

Anyone in particular you are interested in? We can provide info.

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On Oct 20, 2015, at 5:37 PM, "timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com" <timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com> wrote:

That is all I had time for today. Do you want to do a deeper dive interview, maybe of one of the leaders?

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Subject: Re: PITCH: PITCH: Green Power Leaders: clean and renewable energy, and sustainable development

Oh you just used the release and profiles.

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On Oct 20, 2015, at 5:23 PM, "timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com" <timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com> wrote:

Hi — how does this look? I combined the release and profiles.

<http://sustainability.thomsonreuters.com/2015/10/20/release-epa-honors-2015-green-power-leaders/>

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From: Enesta Jones <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at 3:48 PM
To: Timothy Nixon <timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com>
Subject: RE: PITCH: PITCH: Green Power Leaders: clean and renewable energy, and sustainable development


Thank you as always!

From: timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com
[mailto:timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 4:47 PM
To: Jones, Enesta
Subject: Re: PITCH: PITCH: Green Power Leaders: clean and renewable energy, and sustainable development

I'm a little crunched but getting to it now.

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Hi Tim,
How's the story coming?

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On Oct 19, 2015, at 10:18 AM,
"timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com"
<timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com> wrote:

I do. Are okay with publishing tomorrow ?

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 19, 2015, at 9:04 AM, Jones,
Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Tim,
Checking back on this
one. Do you have
everything you need?

Enesta Jones

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On Oct 16, 2015, at 1:33
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Message

From: Ben Panko [bpanko@eenews.net]
Sent: 10/15/2015 3:43:53 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Green Power Profiles

I had not yet. Thank you very much for the link.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2015 11:42 AM
To: Ben Panko
Subject: RE: Green Power Profiles

Ben,
Have you been here?
<http://www3.epa.gov/greenpower/awards/application.htm>

From: Ben Panko [mailto:bpanko@eenews.net]
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2015 11:23 AM
To: Jones, Enesta
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I would like to know more about the process through which these companies were selected, and what criteria EPA was looking for.

Thank you,
Ben

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 4:50 PM
To: Ben Panko
Cc: Jones, Enesta
Subject: Green Power Profiles

Hi Ben,
Thanks for your interest.
Under embargo until Monday, attached is more information on the winners and their achievements.

Please let me know what else you need.

From: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/1/2015 8:45:48 PM
To: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: Daily Wrap 5/1/2015

Enforcement and Compliance

InsideClimate News, Dave Hasemyer [Received 4/27] – CLOSED 5/1 – Interview on Next Gen and pipelines on 5/1 at 9:30 a.m. DDL: 5/1

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From: Tyson, Seconda [Tyson.Seconda@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/1/2015 9:06:31 PM
To: AO OPA Daily Wrap [AO_OPA_Daily_Wrap@epa.gov]
Subject: Daily Wrap: 5/1/15

Administration and Resources Management

Gallaudet University [Received 4/24] – OPEN – Staffed intern interview, film crew rescheduling interview with Maryann Petrole for 5/11.

Air

Argus Media [Rec'd 5/1] – CLOSED 5/1 – Sent OPS approved statement on adverse decision in RICE NESHAP case.

Bloomberg BNA [Rec'd 5/1] – CLOSED 5/1 – Sent OPS approved statement on adverse decision in RICE NESHAP case.

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General Counsel

Naples Daily News (Naples, FL) [Received 5/1] – Sierra Club Petition; awaiting inquiry details from reporter – DDL TBD

Pesticides

Freelancer Writing for Wash Post [Received 4/24] – OPEN – Doing a piece on flea and tick products.

Newsday [Received 4/29] – OPEN – Asking about Penta. Will answer questions.

The Blaze TV [Received 4/15] – OPEN – Asking about glyphosate and exposure.

Research & Development

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Time magazine [Rec'd 4/30] – OPEN – Gathering food waste info to create 2-page infographic. DDL May 15.

Toxics

EHP [Received 4/24] – OPEN – Writing a piece on The Madrid Statement on Poly- and Perfluoroalkyl Substances.

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Nature [Received 4/28] – CLOSED 5/1 – Wants interview on ToxCast and endocrine disruptors. Will wait until late May early June.

Water

Imperial Valley Press (Central California) [Received 4/30] – CLOSED 4/30 – Water fluoridation; closed by J. Valentine

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Sent: 4/30/2015 10:29:34 PM
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Subject: Daily Wrap: 4/30/15

Administration and Resources Management

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Air

AP and Inside EPA [Received 4/30]—OPEN—Asking about a study published in Nature Climate that support some of the numbers in EPA's CPP.

Bunkerspot/Petrosport [Rec'd 4/2] – CLOSED – Sent info on status of a potential Mexico ECA.

Columbia University student [Received 4/29] -- CLOSED 4/30 -- Sent reviewed responses on methane emissions and agriculture for student project with NYT editor Walt Bogdanich. May also pitch to PBS Newshour.

Inside EPA [Received 4/29] -- CLOSED 4/30 -- Interview request on embargoed study on health benefits of Clean Power Plan. Cathy Milbourn will send statement to the reporter tomorrow.

Mother Jones [Received 4/28] -- CLOSED 4/30 -- Sent reviewed responses on PM sources and health risks.

Toronto Star [Rec'd 4/27] – CLOSED – Sent info on Fuel-economy testing of plug-in hybrids.

Washington Times [Received 4/30] -- CLOSED 4/30 -- Sent reviewed response on Clean Power Plan and minority communities.

Civil Rights

Law 360 [Received 2/6] – OPEN – Interview Velveta on status of OCR. With program. DDL: 3/9

Enforcement and Compliance

Alliance for Green Heat [Received 4/6] – CLOSED – Hangtags. With OPS. 4/14. DDL: OPEN

Bloomberg (Alex Nussbaum) [Received 4/6] – CLOSED – Catch 22 interview complete. 4/14. DDL: OPEN

Freelancer, Tom Beller [Received 4/20] – OPEN – Sanding and lead dust. DDL: OPEN

InsideClimate News, Dave Hasemyer [Received 4/27] – OPEN – Interview Next Gen and pipelines on 5/1 at 9:30 a.m. DDL: 5/1

Environmental Information

Government Executive [Received 4/27] – OPEN – MOC track. DDL: 4/29

International and Tribal Affairs

BNA/Bloomberg (Bryce Bashuk) [Received 4/30] – CLOSED 4/30 – Geneva COP Convention

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Policy

Risk Policy Report [Received 4/30] -- CLOSED 4/30 -- Sent link to list of "Make A Difference" selected communities.

St. Cloud Times (Minn.) [Received 4/28] -- OPEN -- Interview request on the trend of building schools outside of metro areas, and the environmental and health impacts. Reporter may pitch to USA Today. Working with program to possibly schedule an interview for the week of 5/4. Deadline: flex.

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Asso. Of Directors of Plant Facilities Magazine [Received 4/14]—CLOSED—Asking about safer choice.

BYU Radio [Received 4/17]—CLOSED- Wants interview on WSP.

CPI [Received 4/13]—CLOSED— Did backgrounder on HPV/and chemical production.

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Southampton Press [Received 4/13]—CLOSED- Asking about permeable reactive barriers.

Voluntary

CNN Español [Received 4/29] -- OPEN -- Interview request on SunWise. Seeking in studio interview in Miami on 5/5. Awaiting response on whether Atlanta or DC are location options. Deadline: 5/5.

Fine Homebuilding (Aaron Fagan) [Received 4/20] – OPEN – byline story – H2O conservation designers, DIY, pros. DDL: 4/21

NPR (Phoenix) [Received 4/30] -- OPEN -- Interview request on water smart landscaping. Awaiting producer's confirmation on whether 5/4 is an option for the interview.

Thomson Reuters (T. Nixon) [Received 4/1] – OPEN – Climate Leadership awards. Coordinating series. DDL: OPEN

TriplePundit [Received 4/29] -- OPEN -- Green Power Partnerships. Request with program. Deadline: 5/15.

Washington Post [Received 4/1] – OPEN – Dishwasher efficiency. With Program. DDL: OPEN

Water

BNA/Bloomberg (Amena Saiyid) [Received 4/30] – CLOSED 4/30 – Senate Bill on Clean Water Rule

Imperial Valley Press (Central California) [Received 4/30] – Water fluoridation; sent to OW and OECA – DDL 5 PM

Message

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Subject: Daily Wrap 4/30/2015

Solid Waste and Emergency Response

Bloomberg BNA [Received 4/30] – OPEN – Asked about timing of UST rule. Sent to program.

Boston magazine [Received 4/29] – OPEN – working with reporter on questions for an NPL story.

Columbia Journalism School [Received 4/30] – OPEN -- Question about manufactured gas plants. Deadline 4/30. Program provided responses. OPS-OMR working jointly on inquiry.

Fed News Radio [Received 4/29] – OPEN –Mathy interview request during drive time about the Fed Green Challenge Awards. TPs provided by program.

OPIS [Received 4/30] – OPEN – Asked about timing of UST rule. Confirmed facts to reporter on background and not for attribution.

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Air

AP [Picked up on 03/01] – OPEN – Two reporters requesting tour of lab in Ann Arbor. Talking it over with program. No specific deadline.

Bloomberg [Received 03/15] – CLOSED 03/18 – Two reporters writing about RINs market fluctuations. Sent previously released stmt and gave not for attribution backgrounder with OTAQ. OK'd by OPS. Deadline 03/18.

Freelancer [Received 03/15] – OPEN – Asked questions about FE trends. Rec'd info from program. Working with reporter..

Green Wheels column [Received 03/12] – OPEN – Columnist for Canadian outlet asking for information about whether EPA has plans to review five year cycle testing program. Received info from program. Working with reporter.

The Hill [Received 03/18] – CLOSED 03/18 – Looking for comment regarding Sen. Blunt threat to put a hold on Gina McCarthy's nomination. Alisha handled.

MSN Autos [Received 01/03] – OPEN – Which 2012 and 2013 cars have been officially tested by EPA. OTAQ may have something to provide this week. I alerted reporter. Reporter said he may FOIA, also. No specific deadline.

New York Times [Received 03/13] – OPEN – Writing about the efficacy of the RINs market. Working with program and OPS. Deadline 03/13.

Platts [Received 03/18] – CLOSED 03/18 – Seeking comment about refiner saying that they thought EPA would alter its 2013 RFS targets. Deadline 03/18.

Reuters [Received 03/18] – OPEN – Senior EU Energy and Enviro correspondent working on a story about EU air pollution standards not being strong enough. Reporter put story on hold til possibly later in the week.

Reuters [Received 03/18] – CLOSED 03/18 – Senior EU Energy and Enviro correspondent comparing GHG emissions of the EU and US. Sent releases with this info per Cathy.

Reuters [Received 03/13] – OPEN – RINs follow up: Are there conversations to reform or tweak RFS. Deadline 03/13.

Reuters [Received 03/11] – OPEN – Process questions about NSPS for new power plants. No deadline.

Wall Street Journal [Received 03/04] – OPEN – Said he is hearing that FE Trends is coming out soon. Is requesting an interview w an expert about the findings when it is released.

Budget

Advocate (Baton Rouge) [Received 03/06] – OPEN – Question about status of BP suspension. Deadline: week of 03/11.

OARM

EENews [Received 03/13] – OPEN – Looking at whether agency resources – or lack of – could be the cause of rules being delayed. Seeking publicly available employment data. Working with program. Deadline next week and flexible.

BNA [Received 03/12] – OPEN – Looking for help understanding facts around BP debarment. Deadline 03/15.

Wall Street Journal [Received 03/18] – CLOSED 03/18 – Questions for a piece on the status of the BP suspension. Send responses per OPS. Deadline 03/18.

OCFO

Federal News Radio [Received 03/14] – OPEN – Request for one hour interview in early April regarding the station's CFO survey. Checking with program.

Message

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Subject: Daily Wrap: Tuesday, 04/16/13

Air

Argus [Received 04/16] – OPEN – RINs. Deadline 04/16.

Chattanooga Times Free Press [Received 04/15] – OPEN – PAGs. Did backgrounder with Jonathan Edwards and reporter to answer Qs on tight deadline. Reporter sent two graphs for EPA to verify before using in story. Working with program. Story held due to breaking news. No set date to run.

CQ Roll Call [Received 04/16] – OPEN – PAGs. Sent to program.

Financial Times [Received 04/15] – OPEN – RFS question.

Inside EPA [Received 04/11] – OPEN - Asked about availability of public comments. Responded, reporter sent follow up question.

Inside EPA [Received 04/15] – OPEN – NCEA questions. Sent response reviewed by OPS. Reporter sent follow up. Sent to program. Deadline 04/16.

Law 360 [Received 4/15] – CLOSED 4/15 – Sent response on brief filed by Texas state regulators and an electric generator industry group challenging the 2012 NSPS boiler rule. Story ran 4/15.

NPR [Received 04/15] – CLOSED 04/15 – PAGs. Did background interview w Jon Edwards.

NYT [Received 4/4] – OPEN – Seeking trends in air quality across the country. Scheduled backgrounder for 4/17 at 3 p.m. EDT. Reporter uncertain when the story will run.

OnEarth [Received 04/11] – OPEN – Qs about cellulosic biofuel. Deadline 04/23.

Reuters [Received 04/12] – OPEN - Data reporter has follow ups on RINs regarding a chart. Sent to OPS. Deadline 04/15.

Enforcement

Author [Received 02/14] -- OPEN -- Questions regarding Chemtco. Working on responses with region 5.

Scotland Herald and Times [Received 4/2] – CLOSED 4/16 – Requested breakdown of the number of cases the EPA has bought against Cemex: the dates, the reasons why they were bought and the ultimate conclusion. Sent tabular data.

Environmental Information

CIO Magazine [Received 4/8]—CLOSED 4/15 --Revived inquiry. Reporter is asking about EPA moving to the cloud. OPS reviewed. Sent responses to reporter.

Environmental Justice

Greenwire [Received 4/15] – OPEN – Request to interview Matthew Tejada, head of OEJ. In OECA.

OARM

Washington Post [Received 04/12] – OPEN – Questions about companies facing debarment. Program sent responses. Requested additional info from reporter. No story planned at this time.

OCFO

Inside EPA [Received 04/02] – OPEN – Questions about CR and funding cuts for various programs. Program working on it. Told him, per program, it would take a few days. Deadline 04/03.

Instrument Business Outlook [Received 04/16] – OPEN – Budget # confirmation.

Transport Topics [Received 04/16] – OPEN – Budget Qs. Sent to program. Deadline 04/16.

Pesticides

Environmental Health Perspectives [Received 4/4] – OPEN – Asking about nanosilver registration review. Sent per Andra review. Waiting for OPS ok on one follow up q.

Fox News [Received 4/12] – OPEN – requesting interview on bees. Need to touch base with reporter.

Freelancer [Received 3/28] – OPEN – Questions on children working in ag industry/pesticides. Waiting for program response.

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Outlooks on Pest Management [Received 3/12] – OPEN – Looking for article contribution on DCon. Program wants to pursue. Program Deadline: 4/29

Science Mag [Received 4/8] – OPEN – Asking about pesticides. Waiting to hear from program. Sent A to q#3. Reporter deadline is Monday.

Science Mag [Received 3/21] – OPEN – Brad Wible asking about current issues in pesticide policy. Wants backgrounder/not writing. Waiting for OPS review.

Slate/YouBeauty [Received 4/2] – CLOSED 4/15 – Follow up questions after January interview. Sent response per OPS review.

Yalee360 [Received 4/5] – OPEN – Asking about bees/neonics. Waiting on OPS review.

Policy

Green Power Report (radio program) [Received 4/9] – OPEN – Foner set for 4/24 about Smart Growth.

Research & Development

Chronicle of Higher Education [Received 4/3] – OPEN -- Wants info about the Consortium for Plant Biotechnology. In OPS.

DigitalJournal.com [Received 4/16 – CLOSED 4/16 – Sent information and link about the P3 Expo.

Toxics

BNA [Received 4/15] – OPEN – Asking about C8/PFOA letter. Waiting for program response.

BNA [Received 4/15] – CLOSED 4/15 – Asking if we can comment on D-Con suit. Sent response per Andra review.

Foodproductiondaily.com [Received 4/15] – OPEN – Asking for comment on CA and BPA ban. Waiting for OPS review.

Mail Online [Received 4/11] – OPEN – What's the process for determining the safety of the HFO-1234yf class of air-conditioning refrigerants? In OPPT.

Wisconsin Center for Investigative Journalism [Received 4/10] – CLOSED 4/15 – Comment on 2011 IG report criticizing the EDSP? Sent response per Andra review.

Voluntary

BioCycle [Received 4/16]—OPEN—Questions about farm-based anaerobic digestion. Article is set to run for May 2013 farm digester report. Program deadline COB 4/24.

Green Building and Design [Received 4/2] – CLOSED 4/16-- Questions regarding sustainable building. Completed backgrounder per Bo review. Continuing to work on follow ups with reporter. Sent follow-ups to reporter.

Martha Stewart Living [Received 4/12] –OPEN—Questions about differences among lightbulbs (incandescent, CFLs, and LEDs). Working on getting specific questions from reporter.

NBC Universal/WTVJ [Received 4/9]—OPEN--Question about mold in front load dryers. Working to get specific questions and deadline from reporter. Reporter will be sending questions on 4/16.

Waste

BNA [Received 4/9] – OPEN – Seeking comments on the Draft Guidance for Determining Presence of PCBs at Regulated Concentrations on Vessels. Checking with program; deadline: 4/9. Story will run 4/10.

Book author [Received 3/29] – OPEN – Seeking copy of all hazardous waste sites currently operated, regulated and under supervision of the EPA, preferably separating nuclear waste sites from other hazardous sites. Gave reporter links to her streamline the request; deadline: no hard one. Author uncertain when story will published.

GHG Monitor [Received 4/15] – CLOSED 4/16 – Sent response on timing for a rule aimed to exclude sequestered CO2 from its definition of solid waste. Story will run 4/16.

National Geographic [Received 4/4] – CLOSED 4/16 – Interview request on Superfund and recommendations on Superfund sites to profile. Andra is handling. Story may run 8/2014.

NPR Marketplace [Received 4/9] – OPEN -- Interview request on Brownfields. Working with program; deadline: mid-May, before BF conference. Story would air shortly after interview.

The Oregonian [Received 4/15] – OPEN – Question on water fluoridation and industrial waste. Checking with OSWER and OW; deadline; this week. Story may run this week.

TIME for Kids mag [Received 4/9] – CLOSED 4/15 – Sent responses, for its Earth Day edition, on proper software and computer recycling programs. Story will run next week.

Water

The Allegheny Front [Received 4/12] – CLOSED 4/15 – Has EPA researched conventional cemeteries as a source of ground or surface water pollution? EPA does not have any research on cemeteries, and doesn't regulate them under the Clean Water Act.

AP, Atlanta [Received 4/15] – CLOSED 4/15 – Any updated statistics about aquifer recharge and aquifer storage and recovery? No.

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Real Simple Magazine [Received 4/15]—OPEN—Questions about the effectiveness of leaving room air conditioner off while not home during the day. Working with program on responses. Program deadline 4/16 COB.

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Environmental Education

NBC-TV [Received 4/1] – CLOSED 4/1 – What are the names of the 2012 PEYA awardees? Not released yet.

Environmental Information

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Pesticides

BNA [Received 4/1] – OPEN – Asking about biocides used in "fracking fluid." Checking with program. Deadline 4/2.

CBS This Morning [Received 4/1] – OPEN – Question about bee lawsuit.

Environmental Health Perspectives [Received 3/27] – OPEN – Nanosilver registration review. In OPP.

Freelancer [Received 4/1] – OPEN -- Ina Stavrum asking about chlopyrifos. Program deadline 4/X?

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Research & Development

Chemical Watch [Received 3/19] – OPEN – Q's about liver disease based on an ORD staffer's paper about NHANES. In ORD.

Pesticide & Chemical Policy [Received 3/19] – OPEN – Re: Teeguarden study on BPA toxicity. In OPS.

Toxics

Chemical Heritage blog [Received 3/14] – OPEN – Wants to interview regarding plastics. Will not do interview, but asking program to get general information to provide. Working with Andra on drafted response.

Chemical Watch [Received 3/29] – OPEN – More questions about work plan chemicals. In OPPT.

Kiplinger Letter [Received 3/27] – CLOSED 4/1 – Asking about flame retardants. Sent update per Andra review.

Voluntary

AZTV [Received 3/25] - OPEN - Asking for live interview (phone for TV show). Bo reviewed. Redoing on Tuesday at 11.

The Columbian [Received 4/1] - OPEN - Questions about Energy Star and Energy Guide labels. Contacted reporter to ask more questions.

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Gazette [Received 3/20] – OPEN -- How much has EPA paid for methamphetamine lab cleanup in Iowa in 2012? Program working on it; deadline: 4/2. Story will run next week.

Inside EPA [Received 3/29] – OPEN -- Questions on TCE exposure guidance. Program working on it; deadline: 3/29. Story will run 4/1.

NYT [Received 3/27] – CLOSED 3/29 – Sent reviewed responses on the clean-up of abandoned uranium mines. Reporter uncertain when story will run.

Water

Argus Media [Received 4/1] – OPEN – EPA news release: rivers and streams have too much nitrogen and phosphorous. How much of this nutrient pollution is attributed to fertilizer runoff? In OW

Buildings Mag [Received 3/27] - OPEN - Questions about erosion control strategies. Working with program on responses. Program Deadline 4/3.

CBS News [Received 4/1] – OPEN -- Number of wells that handle wastewater from hydraulic fracturing across the country? In OW

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EE News, Inter Press Service (IPS), The Progressive Farmer (DTN) [Received 3/28] – CLOSED 3/28] – Asking about NRDC study. Sent statement.

Environmental Health Perspectives [Received 3/27] – OPEN – Carol Potera is asking about contaminated water used to reconstitute pesticides. Waiting for program response 3/28.

Freelancer [Received 3/28] – OPEN – Question on children working in ag industry/pesticides. Dale is looped in. Need reporter questions/deadline.

Midwest Wine [Received 3/5] – CLOSED 3/27 – Danny Wood has questions on ozonated water. Sent response per Andra review.

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Science Advisory Board

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Politico [Received 3/27] – CLOSED 3/27 – Question on 3 non flame retardants. Sent background information and link.

Waste

BNA [received 3/28] – CLOSED 3/28 – Sent response on petition re: adding Great Pacific Garbage Patch to NPL. Story will run 3/28.

BNA [received 3/28] – CLOSED 3/28 – Sent response on Brownfields evaluation. Story will run 3/28.

BNA [Received 3/28] – OPEN – Status checking on risk assessment on agricultural applications of synthetic gypsum. Program working on it; deadline: 3/28. Story will run 3/29.

NYT [Received 3/27] – OPEN – Questions on the clean-up of abandoned uranium mines. Program working on it; deadline: 3/29. Reporter uncertain when story will run.

Retro Report [Received 3/27] – OPEN – Questions on Superfund clean-up process for a story about Love Canal. Program working on it; deadline: 3/29. Reporter uncertain when documentary will air.

Voluntary

AZTV [Received 3/25] – OPEN – Asking for live interview (phone for TV show). Bo reviewed. Redoing on Tuesday.

Green Building and Design [Received 3/25] – OPEN – Cynthia Feder curious about sustainable building. Waiting for OPS review.

Money Mag [Received 3/27] – CLOSED 3/28 – Asking about HEPA filers. Sent link.

Water

American City & County Magazine [Received 03/27] – OPEN – Question regarding water mandates. Deadline 03/28, Noon PM EDT. Checking with program.

BNA [Received 03/28] – CLOSED 03/28 – Question regarding vessel general permit. Deadline 03/28. Sent response.

BNA [Received 03/28] – CLOSED 03/28 – Question regarding twitter chat with Nancy Stoner and CAFO rule. Deadline 03/28 at 4 PM EDT. Provided clarification.

Buildings Mag [Received 3/27] - OPEN - Questions about erosion control strategies. Reporter sent specific questions related to green infrastructure. Discussing with program.

CBS Radio (SF) [Received 03/28] – OPEN – Requesting interview regarding national rivers and streams. Scheduled interview with Denise Keehner for 5:20 PM EDT on 03/28/13, reviewed by Alisha.

Desert News [Received 03/27] – CLOSED 03/27 – Question regarding rivers and streams. Deadline 03/27. Referred to State.

Garden Guys [Received 03/27] – OPEN – Requesting interview with Nancy Stoner regarding national rivers and streams announcement. Checking with program.

Inside EPA [Received 03/28] – CLOSED 03/28 – Question regarding vessel general permit. Sent response.

KUNC radio [Received 03/28] – CLOSED 03/28 – Requesting interview regarding national rivers and streams. Did interview with Denise Keehner at 3:30 PM EDT on 03/28, reviewed by Alisha. Interview went well.

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel [Received 03/27] – CLOSED 03/27 – Question regarding national rivers and streams data. Sent link to information on website.

Natural Resources News Service [Received 03/27] – OPEN – Question regarding perchlorate. Deadline 03/29. Checking with program.

Popular Science [Received 03/27] – CLOSED 03/28 – Question regarding regulations around induced earthquakes. Sent link to information on website

WBAL-TV [Received 03/28] – OPEN – Seeking on camera interview regarding trihalomethanes in drinking water. Deadline 04/03/13. Checking with program.

WSVA Radio [Received 03/27] – CLOSED 03/27 – Interview request regarding national rivers and streams announcement. Scheduled interview with Denise Keehner on 03/27 at 5 PM EDT. Did interview with Denise, the interview went well.

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Message

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To: Johnson, Alisha [Johnson.Alisha@epa.gov]; Delp, Robert [Delp.Robert@epa.gov]; Belknap, Andra [Belknap.Andra@epa.gov]; Bloomgren, David [Bloomgren.David@epa.gov]; Rivas-Vazquez, Victoria [Rivas-Vazquez.Victoria@epa.gov]
Subject: Daily Wrap 03/28/2013

Air

AP (Ann Arbor), AOL autos, NPR Ann Arbor [Received 03/26] – OPEN – Each requesting tour of lab in Ann Arbor.

Argus [Received 03/28] – Question about SO2 auction results. Requested deadline.

Automotive News [Received 03/28] – CLOSED 03/28 – Inquiry about Tier 3.

Biodiesel magazine [Received 03/20] -- OPEN - Questions about RFS2 pathways. Deadline: unk.

Bloomberg, San Fran [Received 03/26] – CLOSED 03/28 – Writing about oil companies' efforts to develop advanced biofuels. Backgrounder (Ok'd by OPS), not for attribution, with Justin Cohen today. Sending some public links to follow up.

Greenwire/EENews [Received 03/26] – OPEN – Follow up questions for story about budget cuts. Spoke with reporter, updated OPS. Story will not run before Monday afternoon.

Inside EPA California [Received 03/27] – OPEN – Seeking copy of a letter to California EPA officials re: methyl bromide. Working with OAR. Deadline 03/28.

Law360 [Received 03/28] – OPEN – Seeking comment on court ruling yesterday re: lead aircraft emissions. Discussing with program.

Platts [Received 03/27] – CLOSED 03/28 – RINs question. Sent brief response. Sent FYI to OPS. Deadline 03/28.

Reuters [Received 03/26] -- OPEN – Requested interview with OTAQ about the detailed working of the RINs market. Sent to program. No deadline set, yet.

Reuters [Received 03/22] – OPEN – Requested backgrounder on RINs market. OK'd by OPS. Gave background interview on 03/26 with Justin Cohen. Program addressing follow up questions.

Telventdtn [Received 03/27] – OPEN – Questions for background on RINs.

Ward's Auto [Received 03/08] – OPEN – Working to schedule approved interview with Chris Grundler and reporter re: testing. Story will run after interview. Reporter holding til next week.

Message

From: Mooney, Chris [Chris.Mooney@washpost.com]
Sent: 10/13/2015 8:36:03 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: PITCH: Green Power a Leaders: clean and renewable energy, and sustainable development

I think I'll pass on this one...

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From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
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What do you think?

Enesta Jones
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On Oct 13, 2015, at 10:56 AM, Mooney, Chris <Chris.Mooney@washpost.com> wrote:

I guess this one would be a maybe for me right now – can you tell me more?

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Subject: RE: PITCH: Green Power Leaders: clean and renewable energy, and sustainable development

I think I'll pass but thanks for the offer Enesta.
Maybe will fit with something else at some later point.
Regards,
Rebecca

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Subject: Daily Wrap: Thursday, 04/11/13

Air

AccuWeather.com [Received 04/09] – OPEN – Story on summer/winter fuel blends.

AFP [Received 04/09] – CLOSED 04/11 – NSPS for new power plants. OPS handled.

AP (Calif.) [Received 4/11] – OPEN -- Seeking information on how Chinese pollution affects environmental quality in the United States or in California. Awaiting more details from the reporter, including her deadline.

BNA [Received 04/08] – CLOSED 04/11 – Requested status update on NSPS for new power plants. OPS handled.

Inside EPA [Received 04/11] – OPEN – Asked about public comments for GHG.

Inside EPA [Received 04/09] – CLOSED 04/11 – Writing about PAGs. Spoke with reporter on background per OAR, OPS. Deadline extended to 04/12.

Macon Telegraph [Received 04/10] – CLOSED 04/11 – New power plant rules. OPS handled. Deadline 04/11.

Mail Online [Received 04/10] – CLOSED 04/11 – Questions about AC refrigerants. Story ran.

MSN Money [Received 4/11] – CLOSED 4/11 – Sent link to fact sheets on MATS, for a coal power plant story about a new study. Story will run 4/11.

NYT [Received 4/4] – OPEN – Seeking trends in air quality across the country. Awaiting three's guidance; deadline: no hard one. Reporter uncertain when the story will run.

Reuters [Received 04/08] – OPEN – When will RFS be finalized? With program.

Reuters [Received 03/22] – OPEN – Requested backgrounder on RINs market. OK'd by OPS. Gave background interview on 03/26 with Justin Cohen. Program working on responses to follow ups.

Thompson Media Group [Received 04/09] – OPEN – Biofuels question. Sent to program.

Transport Topics [Received 04/10] – CLOSED 04/11 – Asking about certification Sent to program. Send brief stmt from OAR. Dave Cohen reviewed. Deadline 04/10

Enforcement

Author [Received 02/14] -- OPEN -- Questions regarding Chemtco. Working on responses with region 5.

Tonawanda News [Received 4/4] – OPEN -- How well are coke plants complying with regulations? In OECA.

OARM

Federal Times [Received 04/09] – OPEN – Questions about EPA regional responses to employee viewpoint survey. Sent to program. Deadline 04/10.

OCFO

Inside EPA [Received 04/02] – OPEN – Questions about CR and funding cuts for various programs. Program working on it. Told him, per program, it would take a few days. Deadline 04/03.

Pesticides

The Doctors [Received 4/9] – OPEN – A beef sample tested positive for DDE. Is it dangerous? In OPP.

Environmental Health Perspectives [Received 4/4] – OPEN – What's the purpose of the nanosilver registration review? Is there any potential for the use of nanosilver to be limited broadly? In OPP.

Environmental Health Perspectives [Received 4/4] – OPEN – Asking about nanosilver registration review. He needs answers to follow ups by Friday. Waiting for #1 to be addressed by program.

Feedstuffs [Received 4/4] – CLOSED 4/11 – Asking about pesticides and bees. Sent pollinator statement, deadline passed for other questions.

Freelancer [Received 3/28] – OPEN – Questions on children working in ag industry/pesticides. Waiting for program response. Program deadline 4/3.

International Business Times [Received 4/2] – CLOSED 4/8 – Ryan Villarreal questions on conditional responses. Sent draft statement. Andra reached out to reporter.

NBC 5 (TX) [Received 3/28] – OPEN – Eva Parks asking for database report on incidents involving domestic animals. Waiting for program response. 4/1

Outlooks on Pest Management [Received 3/12] – OPEN – Looking for article contribution on DCon. Program wants to pursue. Program Deadline: 4/29

Pesticide and Chemical Policy [Received 4/10] – CLOSED 4/11 – Questions on stakeholder paper. Sent per Andra review.

Science Mag [Received 4/8] – OPEN – Asking about pesticides. Waiting to hear from program. Sent A to q#3. Reporter deadline is Monday.

Science Mag [Received 3/21] – OPEN – Brad Wible asking about current issues in pesticide policy. Wants backgrounder/not writing. Waiting for program talking points.

Slate/YouBeauty [Received 4/2] – OPEN – Follow up questions after January interview. Waiting for program response. Program deadline 4/11.

The Doctors [Received 4/9] – OPEN – A beef sample tested positive for DDE. Is it dangerous? Waiting for program response. Reporters deadline is Friday.

Wired [Received 4/5] – CLOSED 4/10 – Asking for reaction to Bird Study re bees/neonics. Sent pollinator protection statement and answers per Andra review.

Yalee360 [Received 4/5] – OPEN – Asking about bees/neonics. Waiting on program response. Program deadline 4/12.

Policy

Green Power Report (radio program) [Received 4/9] – OPEN – Requesting interview about Smart Growth. In OPS.

Radiation

Wired Mag [Received 4/10] – CLOSED 4/11N – Fact check with program. Completed.

Research & Development

Chronicle of Higher Education [Received 4/3] – OPEN -- Wants info about the Consortium for Plant Biotechnology. In OPS.

Toxics

Chemical Watch [Received 4/5] – OPEN – Asking about TSCA committee. Waiting for OPS review.

Chicago Tribune [Received 4/9] – CLOSED 4/11 – Request to interview Jim Jones re: EPA's recently announced chemicals for risk assessment in 2013. Interview went well. Will let us know if theres any follow up questions.

Plastics News [Received 4/8] – CLOSED 4/10 -- Questions on recycling of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). Sent per Andra review.

Wisconsin Center for Investigative Journalism [Received 4/10] – OPEN – Comment on 2011 IG report criticizing the EDSP? Waiting for program response.

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Voluntary

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Washington Post [Received 04/12] – OPEN – Question regarding USDA poultry processing rule. Deadline 04/15, 11 AM EDT. Checking with program.

WESA Public Radio [Received 04/12] – OPEN – Question regarding EPA research about cemeteries as a source of water pollution. Deadline 10 AM, 04/15/13. Checking with program.

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Air

AP (Calif.) [Received 4/11] – CLOSED 4/12 -- Seeking information on how Chinese pollution affects environmental quality in the United States or in California. Missed reporter's deadline.

Multifamily Executive and Apartment Finance Today [Received 4/12] – CLOSED 4/12 – Sent link and clarified air quality data. Story will run next week.

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Reuters #2 [Received 4/8] – CLOSED 4/12 – Sent information on RINs. Story may run 4/14.

Thomas Media Group [Received 4/12] – OPEN 4/12 – Question on cellulosic biofuel decision stemming from the recent court ruling. Program working on it; deadline: 4/12. Story will run 4/12.

Budget

Inside EPA [Received 4/12] -- CLOSED – Sent responses on new and old budget officer. Story will run 4/12.

Instrument Business Outlet [Received 4/12] – CLOSED 4/12 -- Sent audio from budget press call, per three's clearance. Story may run 4/15.

Water Environment Federation [Received 4/12] – OPEN – Questions on budget and how cuts will affect wastewater facilities. Program working on it; deadline: 4/17. Story will run next week.

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Environmental Information

CIO Magazine [Received 4/8]—OPEN --Revived inquiry. Reporter is asking about EPA moving to the cloud. OPS is reviewing. COB 4/12.

Fed Tech [Received 4/5]—OPEN -- Writing a series of stories on next-generation firewalls and would like to interview Malcolm Jackson or someone appropriate on the IT team who can talk about the agency's security infrastructure and the benefits of the latest firewall products that have hit the market. Working with the program. OPS is reviewing. Deadline COB 4/12.

OARM

Federal Times [Received 04/09] – CLOSED 4/12– Questions about EPA regional responses to employee viewpoint survey. Received responses from program, but deadline was missed (04/10). Reporter was already set to run story.

Washington Post [Received 4/12]—OPEN—Questions about companies facing debarment or suspension of a contract with the EPA. Working with program on responses. Deadline 4/15.

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Environment 360 [Received 4/12] – OPEN – Neonicotinoid pesticides

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Mail Online [Received 4/11] – OPEN – What's the process for determining the safety of the HFO-1234yf class of air-conditioning refrigerants? In OPPT.

The Allegheny Front [Received 4/12] – OPEN – Has EPA researched conventional cemeteries as a source of ground or surface water pollution? In OPPT.

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Ag Advisor

Ag Alert [Received 4/16] – CLOSED 4/16 – Asking for more on Sarah Bittleman. Sent audio, photo, bio.

Air

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Argus [Received 04/16] – OPEN – RINs. Sent to program. Deadline 04/16.

CBSNews.com [Received 04/16] – CLOSED 04/17 – Writing about climate change and global security. Responses reviewed by OPS, sent to reporter. Deadline 04/16. Article slated to run end of week.

Chattanooga Times Free Press [Received 04/15] – OPEN – PAGs. Did backgrounder with Jonathan Edwards and reporter. Reporter sent two graphs for EPA to verify before using in story. Working with program. Story held due to breaking news. No set date to run.

CQ Roll Call [Received 04/16] – CLOSED 04/16 – PAGs. Did backgrounder with Jonathan Edwards and reporter. Deadline 04/16. Expected to run 04/16.

Financial Times [Received 04/15] – CLOSED 04/17 – RFS question. Sent response. Reviewed by OPS. Deadline 04/17

IHS The Energy Daily [Received 04/16] – OPEN – GHG Inventory. Sent to program. Deadline 04/17.

Inside EPA [Received 04/16] – OPEN – Questions about FY2014 NPM guidance. OCFO referred it to OAR. Sent to program. Deadline 04/18.

Inside EPA [Received 04/11] – OPEN - Asked about availability of public comments. Responded, reporter sent follow up question.

Inside EPA [Received 04/15] – CLOSED 04/17 – NCEA questions. Sent response reviewed by OPS. Reporter sent follow up. Sent response. Sent FYI to OPS. Deadline 04/16.

NPR [Received 04/15] – CLOSED 04/15 – PAGs. Did background interview w Jon Edwards.

NYT [Received 4/4] – CLOSED 4/17 – Backgrounder on trends in air quality across the country. Reporter uncertain when the graphic may run. It may become a stand-alone graphic for the Sunday review section.

OnEarth [Received 04/11] – OPEN – Qs about cellulosic biofuel. Deadline 04/23.

Reuters [Received 04/12] – CLOSED 04/17 - Data reporter has follow ups on RINs regarding a chart. Sent response reviewed by OPS. Deadline 04/15.

The Sentinel [Received 4/17] – OPEN -- Questions on NAAQS and PM and ozone. Program working on it; deadline: 4/19. Story may run this weekend.

The Post [Received 04/17] – CLOSED 04/17 – Reporter for Athens, OH paper asking about NSPS for new power plants. Referred to OPS. Deadline 04/23.

Transport Topics [Received 04/16] – CLOSED 04/16 – Navistar question. Deadline 04/16.

Transport Topics [Received 04/17] – CLOSED 04/17 – Follow up DERA question. Sent responses. Sent FYI to OPS. Deadline 04/17.

Washington Post [Received 04/16] – CLOSED 04/17 – PAGs. Editorial writer did backgrounder with Jonathan Edwards, head of radiation. Ok'd by OPS. Deadline 04/17.

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Inside EPA [Received 04/17] – OPEN – Budget question. Deadline 04/18.

Instrument Business Outlook [Received 04/16] – CLOSED 04/16 – Confirmed budget number for reporter. Reviewed by Dave Cohen.

Transport Topics [Received 04/16] – CLOSED 04/16 – Budget Qs. Sent responses reviewed by OPS. Deadline 04/16.

Pesticides

Author [Received 4/16] – OPEN – Brooke Borel asking about bed bugs. Program deadline 4/23.

Environmental Health Perspectives [Received 4/4] – CLOSED 4/17 – Asking about nanosilver registration review. Sent per Andra review. Sent follow up A too.

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Policy

Green Power Report (radio program) [Received 4/9] – OPEN – Foner set for 4/24 about Smart Growth.

Research & Development

Chronicle of Higher Education [Received 4/3] – OPEN -- Wants info about the Consortium for Plant Biotechnology. In OPS.

Berkeley Medical Journal [Received 4/17] – CLOSED 4/17 – Sent A's to Q's re: the effects of oxazepam on European perch.

Toxics

BNA [Received 4/17] – OPEN – Asking about cooperative chemicals ass program. Program deadline 4/18.

BNA [Received 4/15] – CLOSED 4/16 – Asking about C8/PFOA letter. Sent response per Andra review.

Foodproductiondaily.com [Received 4/15] – CLOSED 4/16 – Asking for comment on CA and BPA ban. Sent response per Andra review.

Mail Online [Received 4/11] – OPEN – What's the process for determining the safety of the HFO-1234yf class of air-conditioning refrigerants? In OPPT.

Voluntary

NBC Universal/WTVJ [Received 4/9]—OPEN—Requesting on-camera interview about mold in front load dryers. Working to get specific questions and deadline from reporter. Working with program in parallel to see if there's any info on this inquiry.

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Water

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Civil Engineering Magazine [Received 04/04] – OPEN – Questions regarding national rivers and streams assessment. Deadline 04/08/13. Sent response, reporter is looking for attribution, checking with program.

Connecticut Public Radio [Received 04/12] – CLOSED 04/17 – Question regarding well water contamination. Sent responses reviewed by Cohen.

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Los Angeles Newspaper Group [Received 04/17] – OPEN – Question regarding information on chromium 6. Deadline 04/18/13. Checking with program.

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Consumer Electronics Daily [Received 4/187] – OPEN – Fact check on eCycling waste data. Program working on it; deadline: 4/17. Story will run 4/18.

Inside EPA [Received 4/17] – OPEN – Questions about vapor intrusion guidance. Program working on it; deadline: 4/17. Updated story will run 4/17.

NPR Marketplace [Received 4/9] – OPEN -- Interview request on Brownfields. Working with program; deadline: mid-May, before BF conference. Story would air shortly after interview.

The Oregonian [Received 4/15] – OPEN – Question on water fluoridation and industrial waste. Checking with OSWER and OW; deadline; this week. Story may run this week.

Message

From: Kika, Stacy [Kika.Stacy@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/17/2013 8:30:33 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Daily Wrap: 04/17/13

Thanks Daily Wrap WATCHER!! :P

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**From:** Jones, Enesta  
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**To:** Kika, Stacy  
**Subject:** FW: Daily Wrap: 04/17/13

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**To:** AO OEAAE OMR Daily Wrap [AO\_OEAAE\_OMR\_Daily\_Wrap@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Daily Wrap: Thursday, 04/18/13

**Air**

AP [Received 04/17] – CLOSED 04/17 – GHG Inventory questions. Worked with OAR, OPS. Sent statement per both. Deadline 04/17. Story has not run.

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Clean Energy Report [Received 04/15] – OPEN -- GHG Rule on heavy duty trucks. Response sent to OPS. Deadline 04/17.

Consumer Reports [Received 04/16] -- OPEN -- Lead in auto paint. Deadline 04/19.

Greenwire [Received 4/18] -- CLOSED 4/18 -- Sent reviewed response on suit re: cement rules. Story ran 4/18.

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KEUR FM [Received 04/18] -- OPEN -- Salt Lake City Radio requested interview re: Tier3. Requested her proposed Qs.

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Real Simple Magazine [Received 4/15]—OPEN—Revived inquiry. Reporter replied back after receiving original responses. Needs more clarification regarding the effectiveness of leaving room air conditioner off while not home during the day. Working with program. Program deadline COB 4/18.

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Message

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**From:** Davidson, Joe [joe.davidson@washpost.com]  
**Sent:** 10/6/2015 12:07:34 PM  
**To:** Moss, Jacob [Moss.Jacob@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Sammies winners

Thanks, Jacob.

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Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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**From:** Moss, Jacob [mailto:Moss.Jacob@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 5, 2015 9:49 PM  
**To:** Davidson, Joe <joe.davidson@washpost.com>  
**Cc:** Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Sammies winners

Joe, thank you for the kind words and for asking these questions. My responses are below. - Jacob

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What is your reaction to being named a winner of a Service to America Medal?

I am thrilled to receive a Sammie, both for the spotlight it shines on the issue of household air pollution, and for the recognition of our whole-of-government approach to solving it.

What do you enjoy most and least about your work?

I most enjoy feeling like I'm making an impact in the world. The hardest part of my work can sometimes be balancing my desire to move quickly with the pace that it usually takes to effect change -- though I think we've seen through this Cookstoves initiative that such patience can pay off, and I am hopeful that we are beginning to turn a corner on solving it at the scale it demands.

What do the medals say about the service federal employees provide to the public?

For me, the Sammies are an inspiring manifestation of the relentless creativity and drive of federal workers to make our country and the world a better place.

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On Oct 5, 2015, at 5:53 PM, Davidson, Joe <[joe.davidson@washpost.com](mailto:joe.davidson@washpost.com)> wrote:

Hello and Congratulations to the Service to America Medal winners.



I plan to write about the Sammies' winners in my Washington Post Federal Diary column that will be published early Wednesday after the embargo on the news has lifted. I'm contacting the winners with a few questions that I hope you will answer. The Partnership for Public Service provided me with agency media contacts, who are copied.

Questions for the winners:

What is your reaction to being named a winner of a Service to America Medal?

What do you enjoy most and least about your work?

What do the medals say about the service federal employees provide to the public?

Your answers need not be long and it would be helpful to get them Tuesday morning if possible. All replies will be considered on the record unless specified otherwise.

The list of the winners and their agencies is below.

Ron Ross, Homeland Security and Law Enforcement Medal  
Fellow, National Institute of Standards and Technology

Adam R. Schildge, Call to Service Medal  
Senior Program Analyst, Federal Transit Administration

Edward C. Hugler, Management Excellence Medal  
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Operations, Department of Labor

Hyun Soon Lillehoj, Career Achievement Medal  
Senior Research Molecular Biologist, Agricultural Research Service

Jacob E. Moss, Science and Environment Medal  
Senior Advisor, Environmental Protection Agency

Lucile Jones, Citizen Services Medal  
Science Advisor for Risk Reduction, U.S. Geological Survey

Mia Beers and the U.S. Ebola Disaster Assistance Response Team, National Security and International Affairs Medal  
Director, Humanitarian Policy and Global Engagement Division, U.S. Agency for International Development

Steven A. Rosenberg, M.D., Federal Employee of the Year  
Chief, Surgery Branch, National Cancer Institute

Thank you.

Best,  
Joe

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**Sent:** 8/5/2014 7:31:32 PM  
**To:** Stangl, Emily [Stangl.Emily@epa.gov]  
**CC:** AO OEAE OMR Daily Wrap [AO\_OEAE\_OMR\_Daily\_Wrap@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Daily Wrap 8/5

Associated Press Nashville [Received 8/1/14]- CLOSED- Fact Checking Coal Ash Statement. Sent to region 5 for input. DDL: ASAP

Bloomberg BNA [received 8/5/14]- OPEN- LUST Trustfund Transfer. Sent to OSWER for input. DDL: 4 PM Today

C-SPAN [received 8/1/14]- CLOSED. Info on NSES Media Event. Sent to ORCR/ USPS for input. USPS is responding. DDL: ASAP

Energy Daily [received 7/21/14] OPEN- Duke Energy Spill. Region 4 and OPS are responding. DDL: 7/21/14

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## **Air**

AP and BNA [Received 8/5]-- CLOSED 8/5 -- Sent reviewed response on aircraft endangerment notice of intent to sue.

AUTO BILD [Received 7/24] -- CLOSED 8/5 -- Sent reviewed responses on gas mileage.

Automotive News [Received 7/8] -- OPEN -- Off-the-record meet and greet request with Chris Grundler. Scheduled for 8/12, 11 a.m.

Inside EPA [Received 7/25] -- OPEN -- Questions on Pennsylvania and haze. Request with program. Deadline: 7/25.

Pittsburgh Business Times [Received 8/4]-- CLOSED 8/5-- Sent reviewed responses on Clean Power Plan hearings and next steps.

SNL Energy [Received 8/5] -- CLOSED 8/5 -- Sent reviewed response on NAM's economic ozone study.

## **Enforcement**

The Washington Examiner [Received 8/1] – CLOSED 8/4. EJ in Action blog criteria. DDL: 8/04

### **International and Tribal Affairs**

Inside U.S. Trade [Received 8/5] – OPEN. Prioritization of chemicals in US-EU trade negotiations DDL: 8/04

Korean Journalists [Received 8/5] – OPEN. U.S. Embassy Seoul-Annex requesting Korean journalist visit to EPA in Oct. to discuss clean energy initiatives. DDL: 8/14

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National Geographic mag [Received 8/5] -- OPEN -- Follow up on cost recovery spreadsheet. Request with program. Deadline: 8/5.

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## **Water**

Al Jazeera [Received 8/4] – CLOSED 8/4 – Inquiry on regulations on algal toxins. Waiting for statement. Deadline 8/4.

CBS Evening News [Received 8/4] – CLOSED 8/5 – Inquiry on the state of drinking water in the US. Did background interview w/Peter Grevatt. May call back for an on-camera. Follow ups on stat provided. Deadline 8/5.

Coloradoan [Received 7/30] – CLOSED 8/5 – Request for information on fluoridation. Sent info from web. Deadline 8/4.

Consumer Reports [Received 8/5] – OPEN – Request for scientific information on mercury fish guidance. Sent to program. Deadline 8/6.

Flow Control [Received 8/1] – OPEN – Request for interview on stormwater initiatives. Sent to program. Deadline 8/8.

Freelancer [Received 8/4] – CLOSED 8/5 – Request for update on timing of fracking study. Waiting for approved response from Pittsburgh Post-Gazette inquiry. Deadline unknown.

Huffington Post Green [Received 7/31] – CLOSED 7/31 – Request for response on water reports. Sent to OPS. Deadline 7/31.

Inside Cal/EPA [Received 8/5] – OPEN – Inquiry on a brake pad MOU. Sent to OPS. Deadline 8/6.

Inside EPA [Received 6/4] – OPEN – WIFIA interview request. OPS approved, scheduled for 8/7. Deadline flexible.

Inside EPA [Received 8/4] – OPEN – Inquiry on diesel fracking guidance. Sent to program. Deadline 8/5.

Inside EPA [Received 8/5] – OPEN – Inquiry on QMTR. Sent to program. Deadline flexible.

Medill News Service [Received 8/5] – CLOSED – Inquiry on sources of nutrient pollution, sent to Ohio EPA and link. Deadline 8/7.

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette [Received 8/1] – CLOSED 8/5 – Inquiry and interview request on long-term fracking study. Sent to OPS. Deadline 8/4.

Reuters [Received 8/4] – CLOSED 8/5 – Inquiries on 316b and CAFO withdrawal. Sent to OPS. Deadline 8/5.

RIA Novosti [Received 8/5] – CLOSED 8/5 – Inquiry on Army Corps dam ruling, sent to DOJ. Deadline 8/5.

Wall St. Journal [Received 8/5] – OPEN – Toledo inquiry. Developing statement. Deadline 8/5.

Washington Post [Received 8/5] – CLOSED 8/5 – Request for interview on CCL3 process and microcystin testing procedures. Deadline 8/5.

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## **Enforcement & Compliance**

Cincinnati Enquirer [Received 7/30] – OPEN – Ohio re-negotiations of settlements. Interview approved by OPS. Scheduled for 8/4. DDL: 8/04

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## **Voluntary**

Building Operations Management [Received 7/31] – CLOSED 8/1– Energy\* National Building Competition query. In response to pitch. DDL: 8/4

## **Water**

BNA [Received 7/28] – CLOSED 8/1 – Request for comment on ELG suit. Deadline 7/28. Sent to DOJ.

BNA [Received 8/1] – CLOSED 8/1 – Request for list of 38 states, tribes and territories affected by the beach guidance. Sent link. Deadline 8/1.

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Greenwire [Received 7/30] – OPEN – Request for clarification of ag interpretive rule. Sent statement, follow-up response with OPS. Deadline 7/31.

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Inside EPA [Received 7/31] – CLOSED 8/1 – Request for exit interview with Nancy Stoner. Declined. Deadline flexible.

Intelligencer [Received 8/1] – CLOSED 8/1 – Inquiry on WOTUS and ditches. Sent language from website. Deadline 8/1.

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette [Received 8/1] – OPEN – Inquiry and interview request on long-term fracking study. Sent to OPS. Deadline 8/4.

WBEZ [Received 8/1] – CLOSED 8/1 – Questions on WOTUS. Sent links – no one available for an interview. Deadline 8/1.

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60 Minutes Sports [Received 8/20] – OPEN – Golf course pesticide regulations. OPS-approved background interview, pending review of talking. Setting up interview with Bill Jordan. DDL: 9/8

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BNA [Received 9/4]—CLOSED—Asking for reaction to Boone study. Sent statement.

EHP [Received 8/28] – CLOSED – Asking for attribution from an interview from last week.

NYT East Africa --[Received 8/28] – OPEN – Asking about pesticide use in fishing nets. Reporter came back with follow up questions.

### Research

Nothing open

### Toxics

Atlantic Monthly [Received 9/0] —OPEN—Asking about TSCA reform and flame retardants. Talk to Jim Jones at 3 pm (/5

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Yellow Springs News [Received 8/26]—CLOSED—Interviewed ORD scientist on hard water versus soft water.

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### **Administration and Resources Management**

NARFE [Received 8/12] – OPEN – Request for interview w/ELN representatives. Received response from OARM, waiting on ELN and Noha for their responses. Deadline 8/29.

### **Air**

Casper Star-Tribune [Received 8/28] -- CLOSED 8/28 -- Sent reviewed response to AG letter on Clean Power Plan.

Chattanooga Times Free Press [Received 8/27] -- CLOSED 8/27 -- Sent reviewed response on Clean Power Plan.

ClimateWire [Received 8/27] -- OPEN -- Questions on radiation. Request with program. Deadline: 9/2.

Fortune [Received 8/27] -- CLOSED 8/28 -- EPA comment requested regarding RFS proposal/final standards. RFS statement prepared by program/press office last week and original proposal PR provided. Story expected 9/2

Inside EPA [Received 8/26] -- CLOSED 8/28 -- Sent reviewed response on Avenal.

### **Civil Rights**

Environmental Health News [8/28] – OPEN – Angelita C case. OCR advised to refer reporter to DOJ. DDL: 8/28

### **Enforcement & Compliance**

CQ Roll Call Washington Energy Briefing [Received 8/27] – CLOSED 8/27 – ExxonMobil info. OPS-approved response. DDL: 8/26

### **Environmental Education**

Scholastic, Inc. [Received 8/27/14] -- OPEN -- High res photo of wind turbine diagram. Sent to OAR for input. DDL 8/29

### **General Counsel**

Law Review [Received 8/11] – OPEN – Stats on EPA employees and international efforts. Sent Q to OARM, OITA, OCFO for coordination. DDL: 8/22.

### **International & Tribal Affairs**

Argonne Lab Media [Received 8/13] – OPEN – Mercury-capture system. Interview complete. Additional info and article review requested. DDL: 9/2

Korean Journalists [Received 8/5] – OPEN – U.S. Embassy Seoul-Annex requesting Korean journalist visit to EPA in Oct. to discuss clean energy initiatives. DDL: 9/2

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TakePart.com [Received 8/27] – CLOSED – Did interview on open barrel burning study

## **Solid Waste and Emergency Response**

Farm World [Received 8/27] -- CLOSED -- Urban agriculture. Links sent to reporter. DDL 8/29

Independent Film Maker [received 8/26] -- OPEN -- Mining landfills. Sent to OSWER for input. DDL flexible

Inside EPA [received 8/28/14] -- OPEN -- DePue, IL Superfund site. Sent to OSWER for input. DDL 8/28

KBBI Public Radio [received 8/27/14] -- OPEN -- Plastic waste from restaurants. Sent to OPS for approval input. DDL: 8/29

WBFF Fox News 45 [received 8/26/14] -- OPEN -- Questions on Baltimore superfund site and NPL listings. Sent to Region 3 and OSWER for input. DDL 8/26

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Huff Post [Received 8/28] – OPEN – Asking if we have a LRR for others besides schools.

## **Waste**

National Geographic [Received 8/25] -- OPEN -- Follow up on Superfund sites. Request with program. Deadline: 8/26.

## **Water**

The Courier/Daily Comet [Received 8/27] – CLOSED 8/27 – Inquiry on the hypoxia suit and state responsibilities. Missed his deadline. Deadline 8/27.

The Dickinson Press (ND) [Received 8/28] -- CLOSED 8/28 -- Waters of the US – Deadline 8/28

Inside EPA [Received 8/5] – OPEN – Inquiry on QMRA. Sent to OPS. Deadline flexible.

Inside EPA [Received 8/26] – OPEN – Inquiry on NPDES strategic planning white papers. Nothing to report now. Deadline 8/29.

Inside EPA [Received 8/27] – OPEN – CWA jurisdiction and SPCC provisions. Sent to OPS. Deadline requested.

WESH [Received 8/25] – OPEN – Inquiry on drinking water contaminants. Sent to OPS. Deadline 8/26.

WOWK [Received 8/27] – OPEN – Further follow-up questions on WVa's emergency plan. OECA checking to see if they have anything to add. Deadline 8/27 but she still wants it.

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**Air**

ClimateWire [Received 8/27] -- CLOSED 9/2 -- Sent reviewed response on radiation.

Inside EPA [Received 8/29] -- OPEN -- Requesting various presentations from air monitoring conference. Request with program. Deadline: 9/4.

Food Processing mag [Received 8/29] -- CLOSED 9/2 -- Sent reviewed response on methane from landfills.

Fortune [Received 8/29] -- CLOSED—Follow-up on RFS inquiry looking for the price of corn ethanol compared to cellulosic ethanol and traditional gasoline—sent reporter to EIA website ethanol and gasoline pricing, and provided a media contact at EIA for cellulosic pricing.

Fortune [Received 9/2] -- CLOSED—Follow-up on RFS inquiry looking to verify EPA proposal was for 15.21 billion gallons of total renewable fuel, including 17 million gals of cellulosic ethanol—confirmed for reporter and sent him to proposal press release.

Grist [Received 9/2] -- CLOSED 9/2 -- Sent links to ozone staff policy assessment.

The Economist [Received 9/2] -- OPEN -- Carbon pollution reductions through various efforts and rules. Request with program. Deadline: 9/5.

Mens Health Magazine [Received 9/2] -- OPEN -- "My new place smells like smoke. How can I get rid of the stench?" Would ozone generators remedy this problem? -- OAR looking into this. DDL COB 9/11

News-Journal, Daytona Beach, Florida [Received 9/2] -- OPEN—Questions surrounding how hazardous leaded airplane fuel is and EPA's stance on it.—OAR looking into this. DDL COB 9/3

Orlando Sentinel [Received 9/2] -- OPEN -- Working on a story about cleaner diesel for road trucks and buses; wants to mention the EPA diesel initiative; looking for both background information and EPA quotes.—with OAR: good national points to make. Checking to see if regional points would be appropriate as well. DDL COB 9/3

**Civil Rights**

Environmental Health News [8/28]-- CLOSED 9/2. Angelita C case. Referred reporter to DOJ. DDL: 8/28

**Environmental Education:**

Scholastic, Inc. [received 8/27/14]- OPEN- high res photo of wind turbine diagram. Asked OAR for input. DDL 8/29

**General Counsel**

Law Review [Received 8/11] -- OPEN. Stats on EPA employees and international efforts. Sent Q to OARM, OITA, OCFO for coordination. DDL: 8/22.

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Federal News Radio [Received 9/2] -- OPEN -- Pre-recorded interview request with Alex Barron on energy efficiency in government. Request with program. Deadline: 9/18.

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## **Solid Waste and Emergency Response:**

Independent Film Maker [received 8/26] –OPEN- Mining landfills. Sent to OSWER for input. DDL flexible

InsideEPA [received 9/2]- OPEN- EPA's TCE memo. Sent to OSWER for response. DDL COB 9/2/14

KBBI Public Radio [received 8/27/14]- CLOSED- plastic waste from restaurants. Sent to reporter. DDL 9/3

National Geographic [Received 8/25] -- CLOSED 8/29 -- Sent reviewed follow-up on Superfund sites.

Smithsonian Magazine [received 8/29/14]- OPEN- interview request w/ R5 scientist about Mount Baldy dune. DDL 9/2

National Geographic [received 8/26/14] –OPEN- Fact Checking Superfund article. Sent partial answer to reporter; waiting on two more answers. DDL: 9/3.

WashingtonExec [received 9/2/14]- OPEN- Fact Checking article based on interview w/ Param Soni. Sent to OEI for input. DDL 9/4.

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## **Water**

AP – [Received 9/2] – OPEN – Treatment of algal toxins in Toledo and other Ohio communities – Deadline 9/3

Cleveland Plain Dealer [Received 9/2] – OPEN – City of Akron - Ohio EPA Negotiations & Consent Decree – Deadline ?

Current Cast [Received 8/27] – OPEN – Interview on Storm Water pollution – Deadline 9/4

Fox 2 Detroit [Received 8/29] – CLOSED – Lake St. Clair Water Quality – Deadline 8/29

Inside EPA [Received 8/29] – OPEN – ACWI Meeting Follow-Up - Deadline Flexible

Lilly Broadcasting [Received 9/2] – OPEN – Interview on Toledo Water Crisis – Deadline 9/9

R6 PRESS [Received 8/29] – CLOSED – National Coastal Assessment test sites - Deadline 8/29

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Yellow Springs News [Received 8/26]—CLOSED—Interviewed ORD scientist on hard water versus soft water.

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Final update: Fox 2 Detroit query is now CLOSED.

Have a great holiday week-end!

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**From:** Tyson, Seconda  
**Sent:** Friday, August 29, 2014 2:27 PM  
**To:** AO OEAAE OMR Daily Wrap  
**Subject:** Daily Wrap: 8/29/14

**Administration and Resources Management**

NARFE [Received 8/12] – OPEN – Request for interview w/ELN representatives. Received response from OARM, waiting on ELN and Noha for their responses. Deadline 8/29.

**Air**

ClimateWire [Received 8/27] -- OPEN -- Questions on radiation. Request with program. Deadline: 9/2.

Food Processing mag [Received 8/29] -- OPEN -- Questions on methane from landfills. Request with program. Deadline: 9/3.

Huff Post [Received 8/29] -- CLOSED 8/29 -- Sent reviewed response on rules and guidance for lead exposure in schools.

Nola.com [Received 8/29] -- CLOSED 8/29 -- Sent reviewed response to NAM study on ozone.

**Civil Rights**

Reuters [Received 8/29] -- CLOSED 8/29 -- Sent reviewed responses on civil rights investigation in Uniontown, Ala.

**Environmental Education**

Scholastic, Inc. [Received 8/27/14] -- OPEN -- High res photo of wind turbine diagram. Sent to OAR for input. DDL 8/29

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Inside EPA [Received 8/28/14] -- CLOSED -- DePue, IL Superfund site. Sent to OSWER for input. DDL 8/28

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Smithsonian [Received 8/29] -- OPEN -- Interview request with Region 5 scientist about Mt Baldy dune.

WBFF Fox News 45 [Received 8/26/14] -- OPEN -- Questions on Baltimore superfund site and NPL listings. Region 3 responded. DDL 8/26

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Inside EPA [Received 8/5] – CLOSED 8/29 – Inquiry on QMRA. Sent statement and background. Deadline flexible.

Inside EPA [Received 8/26] – CLOSED 8/29 – Inquiry on NPDES strategic planning white papers. Declined to comment. Deadline 8/29.

Inside EPA [Received 8/27] – CLOSED 8/29 – CWA jurisdiction and SPCC provisions. Sent to OPS. Deadline requested.

Inside EPA [Received 8/29] – OPEN – ACWI Meeting Follow-Up - Deadline Flexible

R6 PRESS [Received 8/29] – OPEN – National Coastal Assessment test sites - Deadline 8/29

WESH [Received 8/25] – CLOSED 8/29 – Inquiry on drinking water contaminants. Missed deadline. Deadline 8/26.

WOWK [Received 8/27] – CLOSED 8/29 – Further follow-up questions on WVa's emergency plan. Sent statement reviewed by OW, OGC and OECA. Deadline 8/27 but she still wants it.

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AIR

Bloomberg (rec'd 12/10) – open – for profile of Murray Energy, seeking comment on several pending lawsuits he has vs epa. DDL 5pm today.

Lawrence Journal-World (rec'd 12/9) – open – Wants background call to understand MOVES2014, for story on KS attorney general's lawsuit. Sent statement from yesterday, and the request for interview and more info are with OTAQ. DDL noon 12/10.

Landscape Management mag (rec'd 12/9) – open – seeking name (Justin Greuel?) for attribution on tier 4 answers sent earlier. Checked in 12/10. DDL COB 12/10.

Farm World (rec'd 12/7) – open – setting up interview (with Justin Greuel?) on tier 4 regs. With OTAQ. Checked in 12/10. Ddl 12/12.

Climate News Network (Rec'd 12/10) – open – requesting update on rulemaking regarding aviation GHG emissions. With OTAQ. DDL Dec. 16

OPIS (Rec'd 12/10) – closed – Sent explanation of why EMTS is going offline on the 15<sup>th</sup> for repairs. DDL COB today.

Topeka Capital-Journal (rec'd 12/9) – closed – KS attorney general's lawsuit over MOVES2014. With OTAQ. DDL 4pm today

OARM

Washington Times (Rec'd 12/10) – open – seeking statement on OIG warehouse report. With OARM. DDL 6pm today.

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### **Budget**

Greenwire [Received 12/9] – OPEN – Enforcement collection of debt. Response sent to OPS for approval. DDL: 12/9

### **Civil Rights**

Federal News Radio [Received 12/9] – OPEN – Interview request with Velveta. Program to consider after holidays. DDL: OPEN

### **Enforcement and Compliance**

BNA [Received 12/3] – OPEN – 2015 Outlook Interview Enforcement and EJ. Scheduled Thursday 2:30 with Cynthia. DDL: 12/18

Law 360 [Received 12/5] – OPEN – Phone request for informational interview on EJ. With program. DDL: OPEN.

### **Pesticides**

BNA [Received 11/3] – OPEN – Asking to set up outlook interviews for pesticides and toxics. Set up for 12/12

### **Research**

Bloomberg [Received 10/24] – CLOSED 12/10 – Asking about Enlist. Fist interview.

BNA [Received 11/3] – OPEN – Asking to set up outlook interviews. Set for Dec 9<sup>th</sup> and Dec 16

Soil Horizons [Received 11/30] – CLOSED 12/10 – Interview on green infrastructure on 12/10.

VOA [Received 12/2] – CLOSED 12/10 – Wants a tour of the lab in RTP to see cook stove research. Set for the week of Dec 15.

### **Solid Waste and Emergency Response**

Huffington Post [Received 12/09] – OPEN – Tire scraps. Sent to OSWER for input. DDL 12/12

### **Toxics**

BNA [Received 11/3] – OPEN – Asking to set up outlook interviews. Dec 12.

### **Voluntary**

Allegany Radio Corporation [Received 12/9] – OPEN – Home advisor interview. Coordinating. DDL: 12/12

Good Housekeeping [Received 12/9] – CLOSED 12/10 – Fact check on original October interview. DDL: 12/9

Greenwire [Received 12/8] – OPEN – Energy Star Home Advisor release. Waiting to hear from reporter. URL. DDL: 12/8

### **Water**

BNA/Bloomberg (Rachel Leven) [Received 11/24] – OPEN - 2015 OW Mining Outlook; in program; OW partial response in, R10 working on one question – DDL 12/10

BNA/Bloomberg (Amena Saiyid) [Received 12/09] – CLOSED 12/10 – GAO Report

BNA/Bloomberg (Rachel Leven) [Received 12/10] – CLOSED 12/10 – Omnibus Spending Bill

Center for American Progress [Received 12/8] – OPEN - Fossil fuels and wastewater; in program – DDL ASAP

CENUSA (Iowa State Univ) [Received 12/4] – OPEN – Sustainable biofuels and bioproducts; awaiting reporter's questions – DDL Flex.

Guru Arjan Dev Institute for Development Studies (Amritsar, India) [Received 11/20] – OPEN – forwarded to OW for wastewater management information; DDL flex.

The Nation [Received 12/5] – OPEN – Urban Water Security; awaiting OPS approval – DDL Flex.

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**Sent:** 12/9/2014 9:53:45 PM  
**To:** Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Daily Wrap: Tuesday, December 9, 2014

## **Air**

Aspen Public Radio [Received 12/8] -- CLOSED 12/8 -- Sent reviewed response on snow groomer and Tier 4 engine.

Big Horn County News [Received 12/9] -- CLOSED 12/9 -- Sent reviewed response on Clean Power Plan and tribes.

BNA [Received 11/3] -- OPEN -- Annual outlook interview with Janet McCabe on 12/22, 11 a.m.

Center for Public Integrity [Received 12/9] -- CLOSED 12/9 -- Sent reviewed response on green completions rule.

Chemical & Engineering News and SNL Energy [Received 12/8] -- CLOSED 12/9 -- Sent reviewed statement on methane study.

Farm World (rec'd 12/7) -- open -- setting up interview on tier 4 regs. With OTAQ. Ddl 12/12.

Forbes [Received 12/5] -- CLOSED 12/8 -- Sent follow up on carbon capture.

Gases & Instrumentation mag [Received 12/8] -- CLOSED 12/9 -- Sent follow up RE: compliant plants.

Greenwire [Received 11/24] -- OPEN -- Interview request for a Janet McCabe, for "look ahead" issue. Proposing 1/8/15, 9:30 a.m. to reporter; awaiting confirmation.

Houston Chronicle (rec'd 12/9) -- closed -- sent link to GNEB 16<sup>th</sup> report. DDL asap.

Inside ClimateNews [Received 12/8] -- CLOSED 12/9 -- Sent reviewed responses on residual risk within the NESHAP/MACT section of the Clean Air Act.

Landscape Management mag (rec'd 12/9) -- open -- seeking name for attribution on tier 4 reg answers I sent yesterday. DDL COB 12/10.

LA Times [Received 12/4] -- OPEN -- Clarification on ozone data. Request with program. Deadline: 12/9.

Lawrence Journal-World (rec'd 12/9) -- open -- KS attorney general's lawsuit over MOVES2014. With OTAQ. DDL noon 12/10.

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DTN Farmer [Received 11/1]—CLOSED—asking to talk about neonics. Interview happened. Sent follow up.

Reportagen (Swiss) [Received 11/19]—CLOSED—Asking about pesticide use in the US.

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Press Call for DSW Rule: BNA, Greenwire, Inside EPA, The Hill  
12/10, 11 am

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Imagination [Received 12/5] – CLOSED 12/9. Fact check on SEER standards article. DDL: 12/9

National Geographic [Received 12/5] – CLOSED 12/9. Methane gas emissions. Completed today at 3 pm . DDL: 12/9

Wall Street Journal [Received 12/5] – CLOSED 12/9. Residential energy use. Sent to EIA. Pitched Energy Star, Water Sense, and Food Waste. DDL: 12/9

Washington Post [Received 12/5] – CLOSED 12/9. Energy Star Light Bulbs. DDL: 12/5

WBIW [Received 12/9] – CLOSED 12/9. Home Advisor interview. Airs today and tomorrow. DDL: 12/9

## **Water**

American Society of Civil Engineers - Received 12/5 – CLOSED 12/8

AP (Hope Yen) - Received 12/5 – CLOSED 12/05 – HABs – DDL COB

BNA/Bloomberg (Amena Saiyid) – Received 12/9 – OPEN – GAO Report; in program – DDL 4:30 PM

BNA/Bloomberg (Rachel Leven) - Received 11/24 – OPEN - 2015 OW Mining Outlook; in program; OW partial response in, R10 working on one question – DDL 12/10

Center for American Progress – Received 12/8 – CLOSED - Fossil fuels and wastewater; in program – DDL Tuesday 12/9

CENUSA (Iowa State Univ) - Received 12/4 – OPEN – Sustainable biofuels and bioproducts; scheduling interview w/Ellen Gilinsky – DDL Flex.

Fox News – Received 12/8 – CLOSED – Webcast of Administrator's AWWA remarks

Fusion TV – Received 12/3 – CLOSED – Mercury; forwarded to OEI – DDL ASAP

Global Water Intelligence – Received 12/5 - CLOSED 12/8 - HABs – DDL Flex.

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The Nation - Received 12/5 – OPEN – Urban Water Security; in program – DDL Flex.

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**Subject:** Daily Wrap 12/9

AIR

Topeka Capital-Journal (rec'd 12/9) – open – KS attorney general's lawsuit over MOVES2014. With OTAQ. DDL 4pm today.

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Houston Chronicle (rec'd 12/9) – closed – sent link to GNEB 16<sup>th</sup> report. DDL asap.

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## **Research**

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Soil Horizons [Received 11/30]—CLOSED—Interview on green infrastructure on 12/10.

Freelancer [Received 12/10]—OPEN—Wants interview on wireless air monitors

## **Toxics**

BNA [Received 11/3]—OPEN—Asking to set up outlook interviews. Dec 12.

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**CC:** Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; GreenbergBL2@state.gov  
**Subject:** RE: 2015 Service to America Medals Gala Press Information  
**Attachments:** Under Embargo until 1201am EDT 10.7.15\_Press Release\_Service to America Medals\_FINAL2.pdf

Thanks so much, Jacob. An updated version of the embargoed press release is attached.

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**To:** Lauren Cozzi <LCozzi@ourpublicservice.org>; Samantha Donaldson <SDonaldson@ourpublicservice.org>  
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Lauren, thanks so much for taking the time to polish this. That's very kind of you.

What you have is basically right, and you could go with it if needed. The only trick is the implication that I built all the commitments of \$800M. I helped build the Alliance, and the USG commitment that I built was the backbone to give the Alliance credibility, and I definitely helped bring in a lot of the country and private partners, but most of the \$800M is more directly attributable to the Alliance's fundraising efforts – all of which leverage the massive USG commitment, so it's messy, but I think you get my point. I'm just sensitive to – having been spouting for years that the effort is managed out of the USG – now appearing to take credit for the what the effort has accomplished on its own. We also try to focus not on giving away (or "supplying") stoves/fuels, but rather enabling homes to get them.

I'll offer two possible options immediately below. What do you think? I prefer the 2<sup>nd</sup> one. Note that I am no comms person, so I know you'll need to polish things further, even if you agree with my basic intent. ☺

Thanks again for being so flexible with this. It may seem like minor edits, but they are important when you have 1300 partners!  
Jacob

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Hi Jacob,

Thanks so much for your feedback (and congratulations again). Does this sound more along the lines of your work?

**Jacob E. Moss, Science and Environment Medal  
Senior Advisor, Environmental Protection Agency**

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Oh, that is great to hear. I really appreciate your giving it consideration.

Best,  
Jacob

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Hi Jacob,

Thanks so much for your note and kind words. Thank you too for flagging these edits to the news release. My colleague, Lauren, is reviewing them now and we should be able incorporate most of them in. Lauren will be back in touch with an updated news release.

I look forward to seeing you on Wednesday.

All the best,  
Samantha

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Dear Samantha,

Thanks you so much for sharing this with us. It is so wonderful to see. It's going to be a week like no other for me, I can tell you that!

One question for you. Is the press release final, or would it be possible to make a couple minor changes to it? I understand if it's not possible, but in case it is, here are a few suggested changes:

- I'm (just last month) no longer on detail to State Dept, and wasn't for the time leading up to the launch of the GACC in 2010. I'd prefer to say something to the tune of "Moss, an EPA employee on detail to the State Department for much of the past four years,..."
- You note that I "developed and led an initiative". "Developed" is fine, but the whole point of creating the Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves was to have it led outside of the U.S. govt (by UN Foundation). So it's not accurate to say I "led" the initiative. I did lead the USG portion it. I would suggest "conceived of and helped lead the creation of..."
- Of course, none of it was done alone, so I always prefer to say I "helped" do the various pieces (other than maybe the conception of the idea, which was mine entirely).
- The UN Foundation would greatly prefer (I haven't shared this, but I am certain from other conversations) that we not say the partners "are investing more than \$800 million"; they would prefer "have committed to invest more than...". They are having some troubles getting certain donors to meet their commitments, and don't want to give them the credit before they do!

Thank you so much again. I am overwhelmed with all the support surrounding this award.  
Jacob

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Good afternoon Jacob,

Congratulations on your selection as a 2015 Service to America Medalist!

With the gala right around the corner, we wanted to share with you our publicity plans. Please find attached our news release that we will distribute to media starting on Wed. Oct. 7 at 12:01 a.m. You can also download your Sammies medalist portrait here: <http://bit.ly/1FLrvpj>. Please note this photo is also embargoed until Wed morning, and we ask that you please credit this photo to Aaron Clamage/clamagephoto.com and only use it with Sammies-related stories, articles, announcements, etc.

We encourage your communications office to put out a news release/statement about your award and share the news internally with your colleagues and through your agency's social media channels. Our hashtag for Sammies is #Sammies2015. Please also pass along any news outlets that you would like us to get in touch with.

We expect a number of reporters to attend the gala, so far The Washington Post, Government Executive, NewsChannel 8, Federal News Radio, Federal Times, and Fiscal Times are confirmed, plus we'll be reaching out to your local papers for stories too. We may be in touch with additional interview requests, and our goal is to schedule these in advance of the gala so that you can enjoy the evening.

We also wanted to share that for the first time ever we will be livestreaming the gala. We hope that you will encourage your colleagues, family members, friends and neighbors to watch the online webcast. It will be viewable online at [servicetoamericamedals.org](http://servicetoamericamedals.org), live on October 7 from 6:30- 9:30 p.m. EDT.

Finally, we wanted to flag that we have coordinated a giant "congrats to the 2015 Sammies medalists and finalists" via Thunderclap. This giant "thank you" message will go out to more than 3.6 million people via Twitter, Facebook and Tumblr on Wednesday during the Sammies gala.

If you have any questions, please feel free to get in touch with either me or our Senior Media Relations Manager, Lauren Cozzi. Congrats again on your award!

All the best,

Samantha

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### **Air and Radiation**

Accu-Weather (Jennifer Fabiano) [Received 1/31] – OPEN – 2016 Clean School Bus Rebate Program; reporter would like information about program in Maine and Connecticut – questions in program; OTAQ handling. – DDL 2/6

Argus (received 1/24) (Elliott Blackburn) – OPEN – What practical consequence follows the delay of the final rule for the 2017 RVO? Does this at all change the deadlines or other milestones set out for the RVO procedure under RFS?

Biomass Producer mag (received 1/25) (Erin Voegele) – OPEN – She is seeking a list of regulations that will be delayed for a month to allow additional review.

BNA (Brian Dabbs) [Received 1/31] – CLOSED– 2017 RFS and social media policy – sent response

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Vice mag (Aaron Reuben) [Received 1/27] – OPEN – Implementation progress and health benefits of CSAPR. Program working on written responses. DDL: 2/3.

Woodrow Wilson High School (DC) student (Aidan Fogarty) [Received 1/30] -- CLOSED 2/1 -- Interview for IMAX Documentary on DC's air quality. Region 3 will handle.

### **Environmental Information**

Fed Health IT (April Doster) [Received week of 1/23] – OPEN – Interview with Sean Kelley, named among Fed Health Top 100 Officials; discussing with OPA – DDL Flexible

### **International and Tribal Affairs**

Middle East Eye (Jacob Powell) [Received 1/26] - OPEN – EPA Middle East programs and grants freeze – OITA response awaiting OPS approval.

### **Land and Emergency Management**

CBS 60 Minutes (rec'd 1/24) (Julie Holstein) – OPEN – Looking for info on the lead battery recycling industry, and why the EPA proposed the rule change. With JV for approval.

CNN (rec'd 1/25) (Kieron Monk) – CLOSED 2/1 – Questions about biodegradable bullets.

Mary Roach, science writer (rec'd 1/9) – OPEN – writing a book on natural disasters, looking to talk with EPA about its work during national-scale incidents. Has embedded with the Air Force Contingency Response Wing and looking to do something similar at EPA. DDL flex.

Reading Eagle (rec'd 1/24) (Mike Urban) – OPEN – Wants some follow up guidance about 2014 tables and figures we'd sent him on recycling trends and stats. With JV for approval.

Washington Post (rec'd 1/24) (Kris Coranodo) – CLOSED 1/27 – Looking for clothing recycling stats for an "On Parenting" story.

### **OCSPP**

CBS Evening News (rec'd 1/27) (Kevin Finnegan) – CLOSED – missed deadline – Seeking statement on status of glypho review.

Civil Eats (rec'd 1/27) (Lizzie Grossman) – CLOSED 1/30 - Q's on pesticide reviews under new administration.

### **Pesticides**

Agnet Media (Josh McGill) [Received 1/26] - CLOSED – Pyrethroids; sent response

Agri-Pulse (Steve Davies) [Received 1/25] – OPEN – Pyrethroids; response awaiting approval – DDL Today

Freelancer /NYT (Sharon Lerner) [Received 1/30]—OPEN-- Writing a piece about chlorpyrifos, asking if EPA intends to finalize the revocation of the tolerances for chlorpyrifos that the agency suggested first in 2015 and then in its revised human health assessment in November. DDL 1/31

The Guardian (Alison Moodie) [Received 2/1]—OPEN—Asking if any neonic alternatives had been registered within the past six months.

Scientific American (Rachel Cernansky) [Received 1/30] – OPEN – Freelance reporter exploring a story about GHS mixtures equation testing; GHS mixtures equations aim at reducing use of animals in testing pesticide formulas; in program – DDL 2/1

### **Research and Development**

Denver Post (Bruce Finley) –[Received 1/31]--CLOSED—Looking for an EPA voice for a story on EPA's view on fluorinated compounds on food wrappers leaching PFCs into food and increasing exposure of people. Story ran.

Infinite Earth Radio, Podcast (Mike Hancox Paul Zykofsky) [Received 2/1]-- OPEN—Request to interview Kathy Sykes of ORD tomorrow at the 2017 New Partners for Smart Growth conference this week in St. Louis. They hope to interview her to learn more about her work related to designing healthy communities. DDL 2/1

Inside EPA (Maria Hegstad) [Received 1/31]—OPEN-- Story about EPA's scientific integrity policy and whether its been updated since it was published in 2012—are the transition/beachhead team members considered EPA employees?

Minneapolis Star-Tribune (Hannah Covington) [Received 1/26] – OPEN – Concerns, trends and study for chloramination study. **Story ran on 1/30.** Responses with [press@epa.gov](mailto:press@epa.gov) DDL: 1/27.

NPR Affiliate in Utah (Judy Fahys) [Received 1/30]—OPEN- Wants to interview ORD scientist Russell Long who is part of a fine particle air study that's underway in Utah. Study is done with Utah DEQ, USDA, NOAA, and several universities.

### **Toxics**

This American Life (Ben Phelan) [Received 1/24]—OPEN—Asking about mercury. Have the story—not sure if its EPA—it's about fire gilding process on antique clock restoration. DDL Flexible.



Bloomberg BNA (Pat Rizzuto) [Received 1/26] – CLOSED – Evaluation of chemicals under TSCA; response sent

Chicago Tribune (Michael Hawthorne) [Received 1/31]—OPEN-- I'm attaching a link to "adverse effects" documents DuPont filed with EPA between 2006 and 2013 under Section 8(e) of TSCA. Did DuPont or any related companies file additional documents to EPA after January 2013? Here's the link: <http://assets.documentcloud.org/documents/2746960/GenX8eFilings.pdf> DDL 1/31

Consumer Affairs (Amy Martyn) – [Received 1/31]-OPEN-- EPA should warn homeowners if their properties contain asbestos-coated Zonolite insulation, from Libby, Montana mine. When will EPA put out a notice for the affected homeowners?

Newsday (Emily Dooley) [Received 1/26] – OPEN – Health risk assessment for 1-4, dioxane. **Story ran on 1/31.** Responses with [press@epa.gov](mailto:press@epa.gov) DDL: 1/26.

Vermont Public Radio (Kathleen Masterson) [Received 1/24] – CLOSED – Reporter fact-checking basic information about TSCA (numbers of registered chemicals, etc.); response sent

#### **TRI**

Vice (Arielle Duhaime-Ross) [Received 1/31] – OPEN – Follow-up questions on future of TRI data; other transition-related question – discussing with OPA – DDL 2/2

#### **Water**

ProPublica (Abraham Lustgarten) [Received 1/26] – OPEN – Data for and detection of chemical contaminants in ground and surface water. Input from OW, ORD, OLEM and OCSP. Responses with [press@epa.gov](mailto:press@epa.gov) DDL: 1/30.

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**Subject:** RE: preview of methane program launch

You can't do Tuesday evening?

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Hello Enesta,

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Thanks for your help,

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Yes – we can work on a response.

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Ok. Can we address the questions she just sent?

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If she wants a live walk-thru on how to use NATA, it would likely be the first week of June. However, if her questions are really about Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Sent from my iPhone

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**Sent:** 11/17/2016 7:39:50 PM  
**To:** Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Press Inquiry about Climate Change  
**Attachments:** Nature\_GeoScience\_Cement.pdf

Hi Enesta,

Thanks for the quick response. My deadline is Friday 8 p.m. EST.

The study is attached. It's under an embargo until 16:00 GMT this coming Monday. So please don't distribute it beyond potential sources for me at the EPA.

Here are my main questions (some additional ones will probably come up during the interview).

1. When the National GHG Inventory is put together, is cement ever considered as a possible carbon sink?
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3. Can you recommend any particular scientists, at EPA or elsewhere, who have expertise in cement and greenhouse gas inventories (for U.S. inventories or international inventories)?

One other thing: For this story, I need to speak with a scientist to get their insights into the scientific implications in this paper. So if the plan is to send me a statement attributed to an EPA spokesperson, I won't be able to use that.

Thanks for your understanding.

Best,

Warren

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Twitter: @WarrenCornwall

On Thu, Nov 17, 2016 at 2:27 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:  
Hi Warren: Can you share the study, specific questions and hard deadline, please?

**Enesta Jones**  
**U.S. EPA**  
**Office of Media Relations**  
**Office: 202.564.7873**  
**Cell:** [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

**"The root of all joy is gratefulness."**

On Nov 17, 2016, at 2:23 PM, Warren Cornwall Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) wrote:

Hi Ms. Jones,

I'm a correspondent for Science magazine. I'm writing a short story about a new study coming out in Nature Geoscience next week.

It relates to greenhouse gas emissions inventories and cement. The interesting thing about this study is it tries to quantify the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> absorbed by cement after it has been manufactured. Most inventories I'm familiar with treat cement manufacturing as a source of CO<sub>2</sub>, but don't look at whether cement ever absorbs CO<sub>2</sub>.

Since EPA produces the national GHG inventories, I'm hoping I could talk to an EPA scientist about how cement is treated in those inventories, and whether there has been any consideration of CO<sub>2</sub> being absorbed by cement. If I can connect with a scientist, I can provide them with an embargoed copy of the new study.

I need to finish my story by end of day tomorrow.

Thanks for your help.

Best,

Warren

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**From:** Sherah.Beckley@thomsonreuters.com [Sherah.Beckley@thomsonreuters.com]  
**Sent:** 1/15/2016 10:30:40 AM  
**To:** timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Green Infrastructure

Hi Tim,

Yes, can confirm this went out on December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as per below:

**Release: EPA Issues Policy to Increase Funding of Green Infrastructure Projects**

Please do let me know if you'd like me to bubble it onto the homepage again.

Thanks,  
Sherah

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**Sherah Beckley**  
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Asst. Editor, [Sustainability](#)

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**From:** Nixon, Timothy (TR People)  
**Sent:** Friday, January 15, 2016 12:12 AM  
**To:** Jones, Enesta  
**Cc:** Beckley, Sherah (TR People)  
**Subject:** Re: Green Infrastructure

Hi Sherah — did this go out?

Thanks,  
Tim

Timothy E Nixon

Managing Editor, [Sustainability](#)

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**From:** Enesta Jones <[Jones.Enesta@epa.gov](mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** Thursday, January 14, 2016 at 2:05 PM  
**To:** Timothy Nixon <[timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com](mailto:timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com)>  
**Cc:** Sherah Beckley <[Sherah.Beckley@thomsonreuters.com](mailto:Sherah.Beckley@thomsonreuters.com)>, Enesta Jones <[Jones.Enesta@epa.gov](mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Green Infrastructure

Happy New Year, Tim -- and I hope all is well.

I never saw your piece about this. It was actually delayed quite a bit. It is being issued via a press release tomorrow.

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**From:** [timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com](mailto:timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com) [<mailto:timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 10, 2015 9:40 PM  
**To:** Jones, Enesta <[Jones.Enesta@epa.gov](mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov)>  
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**Subject:** Re: Green Infrastructure

Okay. No problem.

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 10, 2015, at 5:11 PM, Jones, Enesta <[Jones.Enesta@epa.gov](mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hi Tim- please hold on this until Monday. Robert just let me know we are not issuing the release until Monday.

**Enesta Jones**  
U.S. EPA, Office of Media Relations  
**Desk:** 202.564.7873  
**Cell:** Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On Dec 10, 2015, at 6:32 PM, Jones, Enesta <[Jones.Enesta@epa.gov](mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov)> wrote:

Many thanks, Tim, for the continued promotion of EPA efforts in Reuters.

Adding my colleague, Robert Daguillard, who is the lead press officer on water issues and this effort in particular. Any questions you may have on this policy, he can assist.

**Enesta Jones**  
U.S. EPA, Office of Media Relations  
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<[timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com](mailto:timothy.nixon@thomsonreuters.com)> wrote:

Thanks Enesta!

Sherah-- would you please load this as a Release tomorrow?

Thanks.  
Tim

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 10, 2015, at 2:38 PM, Jones, Enesta  
<[Jones.Enesta@epa.gov](mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hi Tim-Hope all is well and you had a nice  
Holiday. This is under embargo until tomorrow.  
**EPA Issues Policy to Increase Funding of Green  
Infrastructure Projects**

**WASHINGTON** — The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) today issued a Green Infrastructure Policy to support increased financing of green infrastructure projects under the Clean Water State Revolving Fund. The new policy supports the FY 2016 President's Budget, which would direct at least 20 percent of Clean Water SRF grants to projects involving green infrastructure or other environmentally innovative activities. The Clean Water SRF is ideally suited to serve as a source of financial assistance to a broad and diverse range of publicly and privately owned green infrastructure projects.

Green infrastructure addresses the water quality impacts of wet weather events by reducing polluted stormwater discharges and sewer overflows. It provides additional environmental and community benefits, including reducing urban heat island impacts, decreasing energy use, and improving air quality.

“Green infrastructure provides communities with a win-win- solution to stormwater challenges – improving environmental quality, saving money and



supporting economic development and livability,” said Joel Beauvais, EPA Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Water. “This policy will encourage and support states in leveraging SRF dollars to take full advantage of this opportunity.”

EPA will work with its partners to continue building support for green infrastructure funding. The agency will track data on funding levels and will have an annual program that recognizes high-quality green infrastructure projects and state programs that successfully market and incentivize these projects. EPA is also recommending state Clean Water SRFs prioritize green infrastructure through outreach, financial incentives, and priority systems.

In recent years, Congress and EPA have taken steps to encourage green infrastructure implementation. In 2009, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act established the Green Project Reserve, which directs Clean Water SRF programs to provide a variable percentage of financial assistance from their allotments to sustainable water infrastructure projects, including green infrastructure.

In 2010, EPA’s Sustainability Policy for Clean Water and Drinking Water Infrastructure also encouraged Clean Water SRF investment in green infrastructure, and was the first policy statement that explicitly highlighted “natural or green systems” as an alternative to consider in planning sustainable water infrastructure.

Since 2010, the Clean Water SRF programs have provided \$3.8 billion to Green Project Reserve projects, with \$800 million, or 21 percent, going to green infrastructure. EPA believes that by undertaking several activities to incentivize and encourage green infrastructure projects this percentage can grow.

More information: <http://www.epa.gov/wsrf/green-infrastructure-policy-cwsrf-program>

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**Sent:** 4/30/2019 2:07:55 PM  
**To:** Millett, John [Millett.John@epa.gov]; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; DeLuca, Isabel [DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Heads up --Close Hold: Cummins Announcement at 8pm This Evening

Enesta,  
OECA agrees with **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** as phrased in your email. Thanks, George

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**From:** Millett, John  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 30, 2019 9:51 AM  
**To:** Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>; DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Heads up --Close Hold: Cummins Announcement at 8pm This Evening

That's correct and typically OECA's bailiwick.

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**From:** Jones, Enesta  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 30, 2019 9:47 AM  
**To:** Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>; DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Heads up --Close Hold: Cummins Announcement at 8pm This Evening

Millett,  
We have an inquiry from Bloomberg.  
3F asked me to confirm **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** Right?

**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

On Apr 29, 2019, at 5:18 PM, Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov> wrote:

Heads up!

Recommended response to any inquiries: **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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**From:** Grundler, Christopher  
**Sent:** Monday, April 29, 2019 4:00 PM  
**To:** Wehrum, Bill <Wehrum.Bill@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Update--Close Hold: Cummins Announcement at 8pm This Evening

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In response to any press inquiries, we and OECA should simply state — **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Thanks, Chris

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Christopher Grundler, Director  
Office of Transportation and Air Quality  
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Message

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**From:** Jessica Glenza [jessica.glenza@guardian.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 12/13/2016 2:30:06 PM  
**To:** Press [Press@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: MEDIA ADVISORY: 10:30 AM TODAY: U.S. EPA to Hold Media Call on Upcoming Hydraulic Fracturing Report

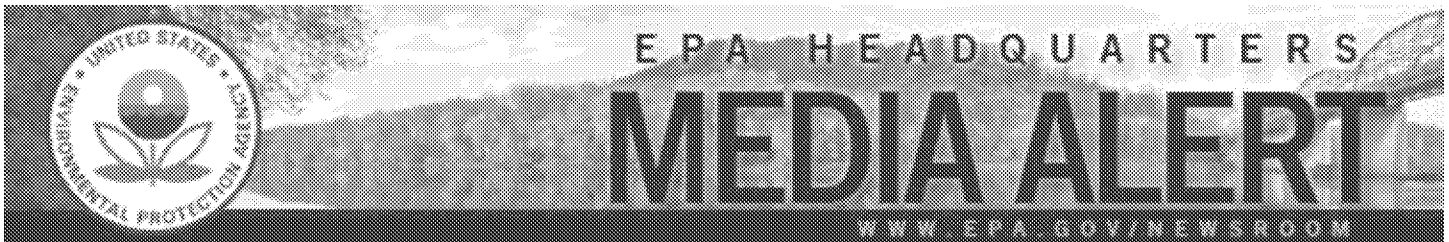
Hello,

I'm wondering how I can listen to a recorded version of this call?

Thanks,  
Jessica Glenza

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**To:** [Jessica.glenza@theguardian.com](mailto:jessica.glenza@theguardian.com)



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**WHAT:** Media Conference Call

**WHO:** Dr. Thomas A. Burke, Deputy Assistant Administrator, EPA Science Advisor

**WHEN:** Tuesday December 13, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. EST

**CALL-IN INFORMATION:**

Dial: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Conference ID Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Name of Call: "EPA Press Call"

**\*\*To join the call, all participants will be required to provide their first and last name, news outlet affiliation, and email address.**

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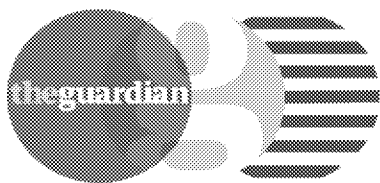
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**Sent:** 10/20/2016 8:41:20 PM  
**To:** AO OPA Daily Wrap [AO\_OPA\_Daily\_Wrap@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Daily Wrap-10/20/16

### **Office of Air and Radiation**

AP (DC) [Received 10/19] – OPEN -- Health risks and regulations in place for oil and gas facilities. Program working on a written response. DDL: 10/25.

Argus (rec'd 10/20) – CLOSED 10/20 – Sent statement confirming RFS is at OMB.

Greenwire and WSJ [Received 10/20] – CLOSED 10/20 --- Sent reviewed responses on CTGs.

### **Children's Health**

The Center for Public Integrity (Jamie Hopkins). [Received 10/18] – OPEN – School traffic air pollution. Deadline 10/ . Initial question with OCHP for response. Background interview requested.

### **Environmental Information**

Deloitte and Touche [Received 10/20] – OPEN – D&T to conduct Frank B.-approved interview with Stan Meiburg and Ann Dunkin on digital innovation, for inclusion in D&T white paper. Ann & Stan schedulers checking availability.

Federal News Radio [Received 10/12] – OPEN – Jason Miller to interview Ann Dunkin and Elena Larsen 11/10 about IT Dashboard and software project cost and completion timelines; OPS has approved participation.

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### **Office of Land and Emergency Management**

Center for Public Integrity (rec'd 10/19) – for story on agency's proposed RMP rule, asking about OCAs for refineries that are 12+ years old. With program. DDL COB Fri.

FairWarning (rec'd 10/20) – OPEN – Dan Ross would like to interview OSRTI's Linda Fiedler on monitored natural attenuation at groundwater cleanup sites. Sent questions to program to consider written vs interview. DDL COB 10/28

Huffington Post (rec'd 10/18) – OPEN – Asking about clothing companies that destroy unsold clothing. Getting more context from reporter. DDL COB Fri 10/21.

Fuels Institute podcast (rec'd 10/17) – OPEN – Fuels Institute would like to interview Carolyn Hoskinson of OUST about OUST's July 2016 report about corrosion in USTs storing diesel fuel.

The Day (New London, CT) (rec'd 10/19) – CLOSED 10/20 – Asking about inspection, leak rates, federal guidelines for underground storage tanks of gasoline, particularly over water aquifers. OUST provided responses, ran by R1 before getting final approval.

WasteDive magazine (rec'd 10/18) – CLOSED 10/19 – Asking about plans for RCRA 40<sup>th</sup>.

### **Office of Environmental Education**

CNS News/Media Research Center (rec'd 10/20) – CLOSED 10/20 – Will EE cooperative agreement include the subject of climate change?

## **Pesticides**

Agri-Pulse [Received 10/14]—CLOSED-- Asking about experimental use permits.

Agri-Pulse [Received 10/1/7]—OPEN- Asking for final Sulfoxaflor label. With OPS

## **Research and Development**

BNA [Received 9/13]—OPEN—Set up interview on ToxCast Oct. 24 deadline. Robert will handle.

Chemical Watch [Received 10/17]—OPEN -- Interview request about the life-cycle of human exposure.

Planet Magazine [Received 10/20] – OPEN – Request for interview on pharmaceuticals in water; questions in program, ORD and, possibly, OW, will prepare written response. DDL 10/28

University of Texas- Daily Texan- [Received 10/17]—OPEN—asking about Star Fellowship grants to UT. Sent questions.

## **Toxic Chemicals**

BNA and Freelancer [Received 10/17]- CLOSED--Asking which SAP panel member stepped down from the glyphosate panel. .

BNA [Received 10/18]—CLOSED – Did interview with Jim Jones on Green Chemistry.

Chemical Watch [Received 10/20] – OPEN – CDR reporting technical issues and request for reporting deadline postponement; questions in program (OPPT) – DDL 10/24

Inside EPA [Received 10/14]—CLOSED—Asking for comments on the 10 chemicals that we will propose under TSCA in December.

Pump Handle (Lizzie Grossman) [Received 10/13] – CLOSED – TSCA chemicals fast-tracking; response sent

NPR Phoenix [Received 10/18]—OPEN—asking for Green Chemistry interview. Open ended request.

## **Voluntary**

Federal News Radio [Pitched 10/7] -- OPEN -- Interview request for Veronica Blette, recipient of the Water Star Award from the Alliance for Water Efficiency. Sked for 10/21 at 10:30 a.m. by phone.

The Weather Channel [Received 10/14] -- OPEN -- Doug Anderson will be interviewed in Atlanta about Energy Star's Rule Your Attic Campaign on 10/27.

## **Water**

Detroit Free Press (Keith Matheny) [Received 10/17] – CLOSED – Safe Drinking Water and Tier 1,2,3 violations in Michigan.

No Outlet. (Ian Evans) [Received 10/14} – OPEN – Urban watersheds. Reviewed initial response sent. Interview requested.

Reveal and Planet Money [Received 10/20] – CLOSED 10/20 – Sent reviewed response on the cost of water to consumers for small water systems.

Telemundo Washington [Received 10/18] – CLOSED 10/20 – Declined on camera interview request on drinking water; provided talking points.

TIME [Received 10/19] – OPEN – Drinking water stat check. Program working on it. DDL: 10/20.

Water Online (Peter Chawaga). [Received 10/7] – CLOSED – Nutrient control/technologies. Deadline 10/19. With OW for attribution.

Sincerely,

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Office of Global Policy and Affairs  
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**Sent:** 10/20/2016 8:38:39 PM  
**To:** AO OPA Media Relations [AO\_OPA\_Media\_Relations@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Loop, Travis [Loop.Travis@epa.gov]; Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Tricia's Daily Wrap, 10/20/16

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Tricia Lynn  
Office of Public Affairs  
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Office: 202.564.2615

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**Office of Air and Radiation**

Agri-Pulse (rec'd 10/19) – CLOSED 10/19 – Sent statement on RFS volumes timing.

Argus Media [Received 10/18] – OPEN – RFS fuel sale regulations compliance; question sent to program – DDL 10/24CQ  
Roll Call (rec'd 10/17) – CLOSED – Sent next steps for US on HFC agreement? W

EE Greenwire (Marc Heller) [Received 9/29] – OPEN – Four-gallon minimum motorcycle refueling requirement; program working on follow-up question – no immediate DDL

Ensia (rec'd 10/17) – CLOSED 10/19 – fact checking a piece on methane capture at landfills.

Federal Highway Administration (rec'd 10/13) – CLOSED 10/18 – sent fact check of article on HD2. Coordinated review with NHTSA.

Freelancer [Received 10/19] – CLOSED 10/19 – Sent reviewed response on HFC agreement.

Liberation (rec'd 10/14) – CLOSED 10/18 – Sent info on how to understand levels of US NOx emissions.

Men's Magazine (rec'd 10/17) – CLOSED 10/18 – Robert closed inquiry on high-grade gas.

OPIS (rec'd 10/14) – CLOSED 10/19 – Sent info clarifying the RIN bank.

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**Subject:** Daily Wrap 10/18/16

**Air**

Accelerate America [Received 10/14] -- CLOSED 10/18 -- Sent reviewed follow up on SNAP.

Argus Media [Received 10/18] – OPEN – RFS fuel sale regulations compliance; question sent to program – DDL week of 10/24

CQ Roll Call [Received 10/18] -- CLOSED 10/18 -- Sent reviewed statement and background on HFC agreement.

EE Greenwire (Marc Heller) [Received 9/29] – OPEN – Four-gallon minimum motorcycle refueling requirement; program working on follow-up question – no immediate DDL

Men's Health [Received 10/17] – CLOSED – Historical background on public perceptions of premium gasoline; response sent

OPIS [Received 10/18] -- CLOSED 10/18 -- Provided DOJ filings/consent decree on VOC emissions.

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**Environmental Information**

Federal News Radio [Received 10/12] – OPEN – Jason Miller wants to interview Ann Dunkin about IT Dashboard and other agile software applications; OPS has approved participation.

The Federal Times [Received 10/13] – OPEN – Interview request for Ann Dunkin at ACT-IAC event in Williamsburg, VA, 10-23-25; questions in, discussing with program.

News Channel 8 [Received 9/30] – OPEN – Scheduling interview with OEI's Karen Maher on business operations and services for ACT-IAC conference in Williamsburg, VA, 10/24.

Warren News [Received 10/18] – CLOSED – Chemicals and pesticides import notifications and certifications; response co-crafted by OEI, OCSPP, R5 and Customs and Border Protection sent to reporter

**Pesticides**

AgriBusiness Global [Received 9/19] – CLOSED - Wants interview with Jim J. during ABIM summit in Basel, CH, 10/24-10/26; Jim will schedule time for interview when in Basel.

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Environmental Nutrition [Received 9/28]—CLOSED- Asking about glyphosate. Sent links

Ensia [Received 10/13]—CLOSED—Asking about naled and impacts of spraying.

Freelancer Brooke Borel [Received 10/3]—CLOSED- More follow up on biopesticides. Sent answers has follow up.

MIT Technology Review [Received 9/29]—CLOSED—Asking if Wolbachia has a regulatory path. DDL 10/3.

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
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**To:** AO OPA Media Relations [AO\_OPA\_Media\_Relations@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** please add Acting Adm' email to cision list so he gets all of our releases

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**Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (mobile)**

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 10/16/2017 12:42:17 PM  
**To:** Dunton, Cheryl [Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]; AO OPA Media Relations [AO\_OPA\_Media\_Relations@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: FOR APPROVAL - INTERVIEW REQUEST: Red River Farm Network - Dicamba - Monday AM

Can you send the talkers - could Nancy do  
Anytime today? Thx ng

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 16, 2017, at 8:35 AM, Dunton, Cheryl <[Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov](mailto:Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov)> wrote:

Nancy Beck approved Rick's talkers. Rick is booked solid today. Here are some options for tomorrow and Wednesday. Let us know if any of these work for the reporter. Thanks.

Tuesday (10/17): 8-8:30am or 10:30-11am  
Wednesday (10/18): 11:30am-Noon, 3:30-4pm

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Monday, October 16, 2017 7:15 AM  
**To:** Dunton, Cheryl <[Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov](mailto:Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov)>; Strauss, Linda <[Strauss.Linda@epa.gov](mailto:Strauss.Linda@epa.gov)>; AO OPA Media Relations <[AO\\_OPA\\_Media\\_Relations@epa.gov](mailto:AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov)>  
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I'll check on talkers for this and get back to you.

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
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Has nancy reviewed the talking points? Need to know when we can schedule the interview.  
Thanks ng

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## Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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**Sent:** Friday, October 13, 2017 5:05 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Beck, Nancy <Beck.Nancy@epa.gov>  
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**To:** Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)>  
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**Sent:** 1/5/2016 9:17:52 PM  
**To:** 'Hopkins, Jamie' [jhopkins@publicintegrity.org]  
**Subject:** RE: Toxics Release Inventory questions

Jamie, for attribution to US EPA:

- The final dataset is already available (it has been for several months). It's accessible through Envirofacts ([www3.epa.gov/enviro](http://www3.epa.gov/enviro)) and TRI Explorer ([http://iaspub.epa.gov/triexplorer/tri\\_release.chemical](http://iaspub.epa.gov/triexplorer/tri_release.chemical)).
- We expect we'll make the 2014 analysis before the end of the month.

We'll get back to you with a response to Question #3.

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**From:** Hopkins, Jamie [mailto:jhopkins@publicintegrity.org]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 05, 2016 2:29 PM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Toxics Release Inventory questions

Many thanks!

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**From:** Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 05, 2016 2:29 PM  
**To:** Hopkins, Jamie  
**Subject:** RE: Toxics Release Inventory questions

Good afternoon. I'm running to a meeting but wanted to acknowledge receipt. I'll get back to you after 3.

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**From:** Hopkins, Jamie [<mailto:jhopkins@publicintegrity.org>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 05, 2016 2:27 PM

**To:** Daguillard, Robert <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Toxics Release Inventory questions

Hi – happy New Year! I have three Toxics Release Inventory questions for you:

I've seen the 2014 TRI preliminary dataset. When will the final TRI 2014 data be released?

Is the EPA's analysis of the data still expected to be released this month, and if so, when?

I'm looking for a list of TRI Facility identification numbers linked to Facility Registry Service (FRS) identification numbers – that is, a crosswalk between the two types of IDs. Can you point me in the right direction?

Thanks!

Best,

Jamie

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Message

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**From:** Jones, Enesta [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=65B8E6C6E5CA4A7A9AE85D98A4C8EEDB-EJONES02]  
**Sent:** 4/30/2019 11:06:03 AM  
**To:** Millett, John [Millett.John@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]; DeLuca, Isabel [DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov]; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Heads up --Close Hold: Cummins Announcement at 8pm This Evening

FYI — here's the press release:

**Cummins Reviewing Emissions Certification and Compliance Process for Its Pickup Truck Applications**

April 29, 2019

COLUMBUS, Ind.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Apr. 29, 2019-- Cummins Inc. (NYSE: CMI) today announced that the company is formally reviewing its emissions certification and compliance process for its pickup truck applications.

Following conversations with the U.S. EPA and CARB regarding certification for the engines in the 2019 RAM 2500 and 3500 trucks, the company made the decision to review its certification process and compliance with emissions standards. This review is being conducted with external advisors to ensure the certification process for Cummins pickup truck applications is consistent with its internal policies, engineering standards and applicable laws. Cummins has voluntarily disclosed the review to our regulators and other agencies and will cooperate with them to ensure a complete and thorough review and implement recommendations for improvement.

Cummins strives to be a leader in developing and implementing technologies that provide customers with the highest performing products that also have the least impact on the environment, and it has a long history of working with governments and regulators to achieve these goals. Cummins remains committed to ensuring that its products meet all current and future emissions standards and delivering value to our customers.

**About Cummins**

Cummins Inc., a global power leader, is a corporation of complementary business units that design, manufacture, distribute and service a broad portfolio of power solutions. The company's products range from diesel and natural gas engines to hybrid and electric platforms, as well as related technologies, including battery systems, fuel systems, controls, air handling, filtration, emission solutions and electrical power generation systems. Headquartered in Columbus, Indiana, (USA) Cummins employed 62,610 people committed to powering a more prosperous world as of December 31, 2018. Cummins serves customers in approximately 190 countries and territories through a network of approximately 600 company-owned and independent distributor locations and over 7,600 dealer locations. Cummins earned about \$2.1 billion on sales of \$23.8 billion in 2018.

**Forward-looking disclosure statement**

Information provided in this release that is not purely historical are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements regarding our forecasts, guidance, preliminary results, expectations, hopes, beliefs and intentions on strategies regarding the future. These forward-looking statements include, without limitation, statements relating to our plans and expectations for our revenues and EBITDA percentage for the full year of 2019. Our actual future results could differ materially from those projected in such forward-looking statements because of a number of factors, including, but not limited to: the adoption and implementation of global emission standards; the price and availability of energy; the pace of infrastructure development; increasing global competition among our customers; general economic, business and financing conditions; governmental action; changes in our customers' business strategies; competitor pricing activity; expense volatility; labor relations; and (i) any adverse

results of our internal review into our emissions certification process and compliance with emissions standards; (ii) a sustained slowdown or significant downturn in our markets; (iii) our truck manufacturing and OEM customers discontinuing outsourcing their engine needs; (iv) the development of new technologies; (v) the discovery of any significant additional problems with our engine platforms or aftertreatment systems in North America; (vi) performance or safety-related recalls; (vii) policy changes impacting international trade; (viii) the United Kingdom's decision to end its membership in the European Union; (ix) lower than anticipated market acceptance of our new or existing products or services; (x) a slowdown in infrastructure development and/or depressed commodity prices; (xi) vulnerability to supply chain shortages from single-sourced suppliers; (xii) potential security breaches or other disruptions to our information technology systems and data security; (xiii) financial distress or a change-in-control of one of our large truck OEM customers; (xiv) our reliance on significant earnings from investees that we do not directly control; (xv) our pursuit of strategic acquisitions and divestitures; and (xvi) other risks detailed from time to time in our SEC filings, including particularly in the Risk Factors section of our 2018 Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. Shareholders, potential investors and other readers are urged to consider these factors carefully in evaluating the forward-looking statements and are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements made herein are made only as of the date of this press release and we undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. More detailed information about factors that may affect our performance may be found in our filings with the SEC, which are available at <http://www.sec.gov> or at <http://www.cummins.com> in the Investor Relations section of our website.

On Apr 29, 2019, at 5:18 PM, Millett, John <[Millett.John@epa.gov](mailto:Millett.John@epa.gov)> wrote:

Heads up!

Recommended response to any inquiries: **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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**From:** Grundler, Christopher

**Sent:** Monday, April 29, 2019 4:00 PM

**To:** Wehrum, Bill <[Wehrum.Bill@epa.gov](mailto:Wehrum.Bill@epa.gov)>

**Cc:** Millett, John <[Millett.John@epa.gov](mailto:Millett.John@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Update--Close Hold: Cummins Announcement at 8pm This Evening

Bill—we met with Sidley & Austin this morning. OECA and CARB joined us. Justin Savage of Sidley let us know that Cummins will issue a press release and file paperwork with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) stating that the company has retained outside experts to review the company's certification procedures, in particular for the 2019 RAM 2500 and 3500 pickup trucks. The press release will further note that this internal review is in response to concerns that EPA and the California Air Resources Board (CARB) raised regarding the products.

We understand that the company will be responding to most questions with statements that the auditors have just begun their review of the company's processes and to date do not have any conclusions about specific potential issues. Notably, no senior managers from Cummins joined the meeting this morning.

Through our discussion, we also learned:

- the company notified the US Attorney's Office in the Southern District of Indiana (Criminal side)
- the company wishes to meet with OTAQ and CARB in the next 2-4 weeks on what their internal investigation is finding
- the company is considering a range of what he called "compliance enhancements"
- the company is looking at prior model years
- the company has taken no action with regard to current shipments
- a litigation hold was issued in February by the company to preserve documents

--the company has retained outside experts on AECDs

In response to any press inquiries, we and OECA should simply state

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Thanks, Chris

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Christopher Grundler, Director  
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Message

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**From:** Jones, Enesta [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=65B8E6C6E5CA4A7A9AE85D98A4C8EEDB-EJONES02]  
**Sent:** 7/3/2018 11:49:01 PM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: FOR REVIEW: AXIOS- checking in on regulations' status 7/5

Hey Robert, **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Here's what Andrea sent you:

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Also, I saw Daisy's preference to refer the reporter to **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**  
**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

On Jul 3, 2018, at 7:45 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Combined responses from OAR and OW, seen by OP. OK to send?

RESPONSE **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

## **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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202-564-6618 (O)

On Jul 2, 2018, at 6:01 PM, Amy Harder <amy@axios.com> wrote:

Hello, I hope this note finds you well. I'm doing an update of the agency's regulatory rollback/replacement of a few key Obama-era rules.

1. On methane, I [see here](#) that EPA indicated it would issue a proposal by May. Did that occur? Are you still on track to issue a final replacement rule by November?
2. Given Friday's news of additional comment, is EPA still on track to issue the proposed replacement WOTUS rule in August, per [this OMB website](#)?
3. The [OMB notice](#) says EPA/DOT would issue the re-proposed fuel economy standards by June. What is the updated release of that proposal?
4. [This OMB note also says](#) June for the Clean Power Plan replacement. What is the anticipated release on that?

Could you get back to me by Thursday? I can be reached at 202.906.9629 if need be.

Best,

Amy



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Message

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**From:** Agarwal, Ilena [agarwal.ilenal@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 11/13/2018 9:20:44 PM  
**To:** Press [Press@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** White House Report: Daily Wrap & Top Stories

The Associated Press (Tom Krisher)- Lifting embargo on the heavy-duty truck release

Daily Caller (Jason Hopkins)- Trump administration is set to toughen emission standards for heavy-duty trucks

EE News (Kevin Bogardus)- EPA's regional realignment

EE News (Ariel Wittenberg)- interview request with Hayley Hughes; about the National Lead Coordinator position

Mother Jones magazine (Russ Choma); EE News (Robin Bravender); POLITICO (Eric Wolff); Law 360 (JC Rodriguez); Bloomberg (Jennifer A. Dlouhy); Bloomberg Law (Chris Marr); ABC (Lauren Walsh); NBC 13 (Jon Peapcke); Associated Press (Jay Reeves); New York Times (Lisa Friedman); AL.com (Kyle Whitmire);

- Trey Glenn has been indicted on ethics charges by a Jefferson County Alabama grand jury

POLITICOPRO (Alex Guillen)- EPA's December 2016 memo announcing plans to revise the heavy-duty engine NOx standard

S&P Global Market Intelligence (Zack Hale)- confirm the location and meeting times for EPA's Science Advisory Board

Springfield Gannett (Johnson Wesley)- TCE contamination issue from a now-closed Litton Industries plant in Springfield, Mo

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[E&E News: Climate research scrapped from goals in draft plan](#)

[Bloomberg: Trump's EPA to Propose Tougher Big-Rig Pollution Rules, Source Says](#)

[Houston Chronicle: PA moves ahead on methane rule rollback](#)

[The Hill: Trump EPA official indicted in Alabama](#)

[AP: EPA seeks new truck pollution rules; says air won't suffer](#)

[EPA Plan to Update Truck Emission Standards Wins Initial Praise](#)

Message

**From:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 7/2/2018 8:16:28 PM  
**To:** Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: WIFIA - SF and Orange Co. loan closings- close hold

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Dennis, Allison" <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>  
**Date:** July 2, 2018 at 4:14:44 PM EDT  
**To:** "Kaiser, Sven-Erik" <Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov>, "Grantham, Nancy" <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>, "Block, Molly" <block.molly@epa.gov>, "Hewitt, James" <hewitt.james@epa.gov>, "Klasen, Matthew" <Klasen.Matthew@epa.gov>, "Bowles, Jack" <Bowles.Jack@epa.gov>, "Hannon, Arnita" <Hannon.Arnita@epa.gov>, "Zito, Kelly" <ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV>  
**Cc:** "Schollhamer, Mary" <Schollhamer.Mary@epa.gov>, "Drinkard, Andrea" <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>, "Richardson, RobinH" <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** WIFIA - SF and Orange Co. loan closings- close hold

For you awareness purposes: It's looking like we will close our next wifia loans with Orange County and the City of San Francisco in late July. Brief details on each loan below. Please do not share this information widely. We are working with R9 to start the communications planning for both announcements. More to come! -Allison

**Borrower:** Orange County Water District (Orange County, California)

**WIFIA Loan Amount:** Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

**Estimated Loan Closing:** Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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**Borrower:** San Francisco Public Utility Commission (San Francisco, California)

**WIFIA Loan Amount:** Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

**Estimated Loan Closing:** Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

## Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Allison Dennis  
Deputy Communications Director  
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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Message

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 7/2/2018 12:31:35 PM  
**To:** Minoli, Kevin [Minoli.Kevin@epa.gov]; Packard, Elise [Packard.Elise@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Leopold, Matt (OGC) [Leopold.Matt@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Time Sensitive FW: Reporter's query regarding your work related to the potential expansion and prioritization of North Birmingham National Priorities List site -- following up on vm  
**Attachments:** Sampleexhibit.pdf; ATT00001.htm

Kevin and Elise,

Tres Glenn in Region 4 received the press inquiry immediately below re: a site Tres is recused from due to related work prior to becoming RA.

The same reporter also reached out to OPA.

There is an 11:30 a.m. deadline today

John Konkus and I thought: **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

We may have received a previous inquiry on this matter and we are reviewing our files for how we responded.

Thanks

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**Nancy Grantham**  
**Office of Public Affairs**  
**US Environmental Protection Agency**  
**202-564-6879 (desk)**  
**Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (mobile)**

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**From:** Ashbee, Blake  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 01, 2018 9:56 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Reporter's query regarding your work related to the potential expansion and prioritization of North Birmingham National Priorities List site -- following up on vm

Nancy, I have spoken with John about this inquiry but wanted to see what our response was on the last inquiry for consistency. Give me a call when you can. Thanks.

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Glenn, Trey" <Glenn.Trey@epa.gov>  
**To:** "Ashbee, Blake" <ashbee.blake@epa.gov>, "Jenkins, Brandi" <Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Reporter's query regarding your work related to the potential expansion and prioritization of North Birmingham National Priorities List site -- following up on vm

Please prepare draft response for Larry to send. Let me approve prior to sending.

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Sean Reilly" <[sreilly@eenews.net](mailto:sreilly@eenews.net)>  
**To:** "Glenn, Trey" <[Glenn.Trey@epa.gov](mailto:Glenn.Trey@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Reporter's query regarding your work related to the potential expansion and prioritization of North Birmingham National Priorities List site -- following up on vm

Mr. Glenn:

I'm working on an article for tomorrow related to the fact that your name surfaces repeatedly on Balch and Bingham billing statements (sample attached) introduced by the government as exhibits in the ongoing federal criminal trial of Joel Gilbert, Steven McKinney and David Roberson. The story will note that as Region 4 administrator you have agreed to recuse yourself from matters involving Balch and Drummond Co. until August 2019. I had a number of other questions, however, that I'm hoping you can address related to your prior work regarding the North Birmingham site:

- 1) What services were you providing and to whom? (e.g., Balch and Bingham? Drummond Co.?)
- 2) What led you to become involved in this matter?
- 3) Were you at any time aware of potentially illicit activity along the lines of what is now alleged in the indictment of Mr. Gilbert, Mr. McKinney and Mr. Roberson?
- 4) Have you been contacted by federal law enforcement authorities in regard to the criminal investigation that led to this indictment and, if so, by what agency (or agencies)?
- 5) If so, have you been interviewed or otherwise agreed to cooperate?
- 6) Have you been notified that you are a target of a state or federal criminal investigation?
- 7) Have you been notified that you could be called as a witness in the ongoing criminal trial?
- 8) Have you hired a lawyer to represent you and, if so, who?
- 9) Is there anything you would like to add?

If you would like to discuss these issues by phone, I can be reached at 202-446-0433 until about 9 p.m. tonight and will be back in the office by 8:30 tomorrow morning. I can also be reached on my cell phone up until 11 p.m. this evening at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

My deadline is 11:30 a.m. (ET) tomorrow.

Thanks very much,  
Sean Reilly

Reporter  
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On Jul 1, 2018, at 7:49 PM, Sean Reilly <[sreilly@eenews.net](mailto:sreilly@eenews.net)> wrote:

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Hi folks:

I'm working on a story for tomorrow on newly released court records which indicate that Mr. Glenn, then in the private sector, provided extensive services to a 2014-2015 advocacy campaign run by a partner in the Balch & Bingham law firm who, along with two other participants, is now on trial in Birmingham, Ala. on federal criminal charges related to that campaign. I have no indication that Mr. Glenn has been charged, but am attempting to determine whether he has been notified that he could be called as a witness in the trial and/or has been notified that he is the target of an investigation.

In the meantime, two questions:

- 1) Has Mr. Glenn informed the relevant EPA officials of his work for Balch & Bingham in a matter that is now the subject of federal criminal proceedings? If so, who are those officials?
- 2) Given Mr. Pruitt's emphasis on the rule of law, does he retain full confidence in Mr. Glenn's capacity to fully and faithfully discharge his duties as Region 4 administrator? If so, why? If not, why not, and (apart from the recusals that Mr. Glenn has

already agreed to), have Mr. Pruitt or other EPA officials taken any steps to provide additional oversight of Mr. Glenn and/or restrict in some way his activities as Region 4 administrator?

My deadline is 11:30 tomorrow morning. I need on-the-record, for-attribution responses if we're going to use them.

Thanks very much,  
Sean

Sean Reilly

Message

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/13/2018 4:41:30 PM  
**To:** Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]; Milbourn, Cathy [Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: BF ARC grant announcement revised draft Comms Strategy  
**Attachments:** revised FY18 ARC Comms Strategy\_4 13 18\_.docx

**Nancy Grantham**  
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**US Environmental Protection Agency**  
**202-564-6879 (desk)**

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) **(mobile)**

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**From:** Taylor, Trish  
**Sent:** Friday, April 13, 2018 10:04 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Lowery, Brigid <Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov>; Benjamin, Kent <Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: BF ARC grant announcement revised draft Comms Strategy

Hi Nancy,

Attached is the revised Brownfields ARC grants announcement communication strategy. Updates reflect the change in release date, key message on SRF, comments rec'd from DAA Steven Cook, and a more detailed tic-toc timeline.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns as we move forward developing the associated comms materials.

Thanks,  
Trish

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**From:** Taylor, Trish  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 05, 2018 12:15 PM  
**To:** Darwin, Veronica <[darwin.veronica@epa.gov](mailto:darwin.veronica@epa.gov)>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Sutton, Amanda <[Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov](mailto:Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov)>; Lowery, Brigid <[Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov](mailto:Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov)>; Benjamin, Kent <[Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov](mailto:Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Brownfields Grant Roll Out Plan Discussion

Hi Veronica,

For your meeting today, attached is the draft communications strategy. Acting AA Barry Breen is reviewing it while we are drafting additional key messages per DAA Steven Cooks comments.

Thx,  
Trish

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**From:** Darwin, Veronica  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 05, 2018 11:03 AM  
**To:** Taylor, Trish <Taylor.Trish@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Sutton, Amanda <Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov>; Lowery, Brigid <Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov>; Benjamin, Kent <Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Brownfields Grant Roll Out Plan Discussion

Got it! Thank you for the quick reply.  
Veronica

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**From:** Taylor, Trish  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 5, 2018 10:43 AM  
**To:** Darwin, Veronica <darwin.veronica@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Sutton, Amanda <Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov>; Lowery, Brigid <Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov>; Benjamin, Kent <Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Brownfields Grant Roll Out Plan Discussion

Hi Veronica,

From what I understand, Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)  
We received input on the draft communications strategy from DAA Steven Cook that is currently being addressed. We are including information on Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

We should have the revised draft comms strat to OPA soon.

Thanks,  
Trish.

Trish Taylor, Office of Communications, Partnerships and Analysis (OCPA)  
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**From:** Darwin, Veronica  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 05, 2018 10:08 AM  
**To:** Taylor, Trish <Taylor.Trish@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Sutton, Amanda <Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov>; Lowery, Brigid <Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov>; Benjamin, Kent <Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Brownfields Grant Roll Out Plan Discussion

Hi Trish,

Do you have an update on this? Meeting with Ryan this afternoon and it will come up. Steven will be at the meeting, too so one of us can speak to it. Do we know what the grant announcement date is? Many thanks everyone!

Veronica

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**From:** Taylor, Trish

**Sent:** Thursday, March 29, 2018 11:22 AM

**To:** Darwin, Veronica <darwin.veronica@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>

**Cc:** Sutton, Amanda <Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov>; Lowery, Brigid <Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov>; Benjamin, Kent <Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Brownfields Grant Roll Out Plan Discussion

Hi Veronica,

Today, I'll get the draft comms strategy to OLEM AA/DAA for review/approval. As soon as I have their input, I can send you the revision. I hope to have a quick turnaround time.

Thanks,  
Trish

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**From:** Darwin, Veronica

**Sent:** Thursday, March 29, 2018 11:03 AM

**To:** Taylor, Trish <Taylor.Trish@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>

**Cc:** Sutton, Amanda <Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov>; Lowery, Brigid <Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov>; Benjamin, Kent <Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Brownfields Grant Roll Out Plan Discussion

These look good – fine with either certain or qualifying on the second bullet. Please send a revised comms plan so I can forward it to Ryan Jackson and Byron Brown. They are very interested in Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

As discussed yesterday, we'll need to make sure web content is revamped to show Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Let me know if you have any questions. Thank you!!

Veronica

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**From:** Taylor, Trish

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2018 5:42 PM

**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Darwin, Veronica <darwin.veronica@epa.gov>

**Cc:** Sutton, Amanda <Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov>; Lowery, Brigid <Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov>; Benjamin, Kent <Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Brownfields Grant Roll Out Plan Discussion

Thank you.

Please let me know if the draft SRF messages below work for the comms strat. I'll add them to the key messages if they do. The language is from the draft fact sheets OW/OBLR are working on.

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# Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

**From:** Grantham, Nancy

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2018 4:27 PM

**To:** Taylor, Trish <[Taylor.Trish@epa.gov](mailto:Taylor.Trish@epa.gov)>

**Cc:** Konkus, John <[konkus.john@epa.gov](mailto:konkus.john@epa.gov)>; Sutton, Amanda <[Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov](mailto:Sutton.Amanda@epa.gov)>; Lowery, Brigid <[Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov](mailto:Lowery.Brigid@epa.gov)>; Lloyd, David <[Lloyd.DavidR@epa.gov](mailto:Lloyd.DavidR@epa.gov)>; Benjamin, Kent <[Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov](mailto:Benjamin.Kent@epa.gov)>; Levine, Carolyn <[Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov](mailto:Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov)>; Snyder, Raquel <[Snyder.Raquel@epa.gov](mailto:Snyder.Raquel@epa.gov)>; Richardson, RobinH <[Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov](mailto:Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov)>; Milbourn, Cathy <[Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov](mailto:Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov)>; Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Re: Brownfields Grant Roll Out Plan Discussion

Thanks for the meeting today. Just a heads up that we need to avoid April 16 - 18 for this roll out - as the RAs will be meeting in Chicago

Thx ng

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 27, 2018, at 9:26 AM, Taylor, Trish <[Taylor.Trish@epa.gov](mailto:Taylor.Trish@epa.gov)> wrote:

For our call today at 11:00, attached is a draft comms strategy, with questions for discussion highlighted in yellow.

Thanks,  
Trish

Trish Taylor, Office of Communications, Partnerships and Analysis (OCPA)  
U.S. EPA, Office of Land and Emergency Management (OLEM)  
WJC West, RM 3137  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20460  
(202) 566-2615  
[taylor.trish@epa.gov](mailto:taylor.trish@epa.gov)

OLEM is on Twitter at [@EPALand](https://twitter.com/EPALand)

-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** Grantham, Nancy

**Sent:** Monday, March 26, 2018 3:28 PM

**To:** Grantham, Nancy; Konkus, John; Sutton, Amanda; Lowery, Brigid; Lloyd, David; Taylor, Trish; Benjamin, Kent; Levine, Carolyn; Snyder, Raquel; Richardson, RobinH; Milbourn, Cathy

**Subject:** Brownfields Grant Roll Out Plan Discussion

**When:** Tuesday, March 27, 2018 11:00 AM-12:00 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

**Where:** 3407-WJC-N Call in: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) code Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)



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Message

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**From:** Ortiz, Julia [Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/14/2017 12:41:19 PM  
**To:** Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: DRAFT: Social media for back to basics

Will do! If you don't have any timing preferences, I'll just spread them out through the day – let me know if you'd prefer another course of action, thanks!

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**Sent:** Friday, April 14, 2017 8:27 AM  
**To:** Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>; Hart, Daniel <Hart.Daniel@epa.gov>  
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**Cc:** Vance, Eric <Vance.Eric@epa.gov>; Taylor, Brian <Taylor.Brian@epa.gov>; Slotkin, Ron <slotkin.ron@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>  
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**1:00 p.m. post:**

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EPA FACEBOOK

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- **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

ADMINISTRATOR TWITTER

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Message

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**From:** Hart, Daniel [Hart.Daniel@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/14/2017 12:31:13 PM  
**To:** Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Ortiz, Julia [Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: DRAFT: Social media for back to basics

We'll get these posted

**Daniel (Danny) Hart** | Director of Web Communications | Office of Public Affairs | U.S. EPA | Tel:202.564.7577 |  
cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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2:00 p.m. post

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ADMINISTRATOR FACEBOOK

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ADMINISTRATOR TWITTER

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Message

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**From:** Hart, Daniel [Hart.Daniel@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/13/2017 5:46:09 PM  
**To:** Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]; Ortiz, Julia [Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: DRAFT: Social media for back to basics

Yes. We're on it now.

Daniel (Danny) Hart | Director, Office of Web Communication, Office of Public Affairs, U.S. EPA | desk: 202-564-7577 | cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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**From:** Konkus, John  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 13, 2017 1:44 PM  
**To:** Hart, Daniel <Hart.Daniel@epa.gov>; Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Vance, Eric <Vance.Eric@epa.gov>; Taylor, Brian <Taylor.Brian@epa.gov>; Slotkin, Ron <slotkin.ron@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: DRAFT: Social media for back to basics  
**Importance:** High

Photo attached for the next round of social media and for the website. Danny you can make this the photo for the slider on the main page.

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**From:** Hart, Daniel  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 13, 2017 1:29 PM  
**To:** Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Vance, Eric <Vance.Eric@epa.gov>; Taylor, Brian <Taylor.Brian@epa.gov>; Slotkin, Ron <slotkin.ron@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: DRAFT: Social media for back to basics

John we posted the admin account posts. Do you want to do the 2pm main account one now with the photo you sent ? Or do you want to wait for more images?

Daniel (Danny) Hart | Director of Web Communications | Office of Public Affairs | U.S. EPA | Tel:202.564.7577 | cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On Apr 13, 2017, at 1:16 PM, Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks, I'll start posting those now.

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**From:** Konkus, John  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 13, 2017 1:15 PM  
**To:** Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>; Hart, Daniel <Hart.Daniel@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Vance, Eric <Vance.Eric@epa.gov>; Taylor, Brian <Taylor.Brian@epa.gov>; Slotkin, Ron <slotkin.ron@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: DRAFT: Social media for back to basics  
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You can launch the first two from the Administrator's accounts and use the attached photo.



Also launch the first two from the EPA accounts and use the link to the release in the newsroom.

Thank you!

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Message

**From:** Schiermeyer, Corry [schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/15/2019 12:20:01 PM  
**To:** Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]; McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: DHC/Conduit Roll Out Materials

Thank you. I don't: **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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**From:** Dennis, Allison  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 14, 2019 3:50 PM  
**To:** McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: DHC/Conduit Roll Out Materials

Final versions from us attached - please let us know if you have any edits on your end, if **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**  
**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** We will  
have our website up around 1130 am .

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Wildeman, Anna" <wildeman.anna@epa.gov>  
**Date:** April 14, 2019 at 3:43:35 PM EDT  
**To:** "Ross, David P" <ross.davidp@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** "Dennis, Allison" <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>, "Fotouhi, David" <Fotouhi.David@epa.gov>, "Leopold, Matt (OGC)" <Leopold.Matt@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** DHC/Conduit Roll Out Materials

Dave, here is an email for your use with final documents in PDF format. Here is the RA listserv address:  
**Ex. 6 internal URL (PP)** I can also send it if you prefer, just let me know.

DELIBERATIVE; CLOSE HOLD MATERIALS

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Thank you,

**Anna Wildeman**

Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator

Office of Water

Environmental Protection Agency

1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20460

202-564-5700

[Wildeman.Ann@epa.gov](mailto:Wildeman.Ann@epa.gov)

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**Sent:** 4/13/2017 2:09:09 PM  
**To:** Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]  
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That's the link to our albums, here's the login info:

User: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)  
Password: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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**From:** Konkus, John  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 13, 2017 10:08 AM  
**To:** Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: DRAFT: Social media for back to basics

Where can I see these photos too? Thanks Julia!

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**From:** Ortiz, Julia  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 13, 2017 10:07 AM  
**To:** Vance, Eric <Vance.Eric@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Hart, Daniel <Hart.Daniel@epa.gov>; Taylor, Brian <Taylor.Brian@epa.gov>; Slotkin, Ron <slotkin.ron@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: DRAFT: Social media for back to basics

I see two albums, Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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**From:** Vance, Eric  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 13, 2017 10:04 AM  
**To:** Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Hart, Daniel <Hart.Daniel@epa.gov>; Taylor, Brian <Taylor.Brian@epa.gov>; Slotkin, Ron <slotkin.ron@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: DRAFT: Social media for back to basics

Just pushed up test to Flickr. Jess or DH, please have a look, I think I put one set in the wrong place.

Eric Vance  
Chief photographer, USEPA  
1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW  
Washington, DC

WJC North  
Room 6330K

Mobile: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

EPA employees may access and download images here:

Ex. 6 Internal URL (PP)

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Message

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**From:** Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/11/2017 9:37:26 PM  
**To:** Wilkinson, Joe [jwilkinson@AECL.org]  
**CC:** Barry Hart [bhart@amec.org]; stephen.bell@nreca.coop  
**Subject:** Media Planning  
**Attachments:** Missouri Plan Outline DRAFT.docx

Joe, Barry and Stephen: Can we jump on the phone tomorrow afternoon to run through this draft document and put some meat on the bones?

Thank you,

John Konkus  
Environmental Protection Agency  
Deputy Associate Administrator for Public Affairs  
Mobile: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Message

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**From:** Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/29/2017 5:43:51 PM  
**To:** Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]; Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RESENDING RE: JOHN BUDGET Fwd: Budget Question from Sandusky Register

**Importance:** High

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**From:** Valentine, Julia  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 23, 2017 10:26 AM  
**To:** Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** JOHN BUDGET Fwd: Budget Question from Sandusky Register

**Outlet:** Sandusky Register (OH)  
**Reporter:** Tom Jackson

**Reporter Inquiry:**

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**EPA Response:**

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**From:** Singer, Joshua  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 22, 2017 11:26 AM  
**To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Kelley, Jeff <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>; Rowan, Anne <rowan.anne@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Budget Question

**From:** Tom Jackson [mailto:[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy \(PP\)](#)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 22, 2017 10:23 AM  
**To:** Singer, Joshua <Singer.Joshua@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Budget Question

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Thanks,

Tom

On Tue, Mar 7, 2017 at 11:25 AM, Singer, Joshua <[Singer.Joshua@epa.gov](mailto:Singer.Joshua@epa.gov)> wrote:

Tom,

Regarding your question about the budget, please attribute the following response to U.S. EPA:

We are not commenting at this point in the process.

Thank you.

Josh Singer

U.S. EPA, Region 5

phone: [312-353-5069](tel:312-353-5069)

[singer.joshua@epa.gov](mailto:singer.joshua@epa.gov)

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-- Robert Anton Wilson

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Message

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**From:** Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/5/2019 9:21:56 PM  
**To:** Schiermeyer, Corry [schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov]  
**CC:** McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Update on conduit and 401

Update: **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** I will share our draft PR after Dave reviews over the weekend .

**Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** Our TPs , holding statement and QandAs are getting a major overhaul right now. You will get a much better version on Monday than what I would send now. More soon.

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 5, 2019, at 7:54 AM, Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov> wrote:  
>  
> Thank you  
>  
> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Dennis, Allison  
> Sent: Friday, April 5, 2019 7:12 AM  
> To: Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>  
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> Subject: Update on conduit and 401  
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> Close hold info-  
>  
> I will learn more this am but Dave gave me a heads up this morning that we should be ready for **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**  
> **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** I will get my draft PR over to you later today.  
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> Also, I will get my conduit materials over to you today too as we are still aiming for Tuesday.  
>  
> Sent from my iPhone

Message

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**From:** Slotkin, Ron [slotkin.ron@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/25/2017 2:38:20 PM  
**To:** Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: B-roll and photos -- Mobile Bay

How is it going...is the water office and region 4 being difficult?

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**Ron Slotkin**

**Director, Office of Multimedia (OM)**

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Let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you!

John Konkus

Environmental Protection Agency

Deputy Associate Administrator for Public Affairs

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**Sent:** 4/24/2017 8:21:29 PM  
**To:** Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: B-roll and photos -- Mobile Bay

Slight monkey wrench...the videos do not belong to us...even if we reached out to the MBNEP staff and they gave us access we cannot use their footage as though it is ours. We must credit them.

We must reach out to them to ask for the footage and photos.

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Deputy Associate Administrator for Public Affairs

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**Sent:** 5/8/2019 7:32:07 PM  
**To:** Schiermeyer, Corry [schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov]  
**CC:** McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Draft Media Advisory for McLouth Steel Press Conference - to go today at 2 p.m. CDT

Thanks

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**From:** Schiermeyer, Corry  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 8, 2019 3:24 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>  
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Until our press release goes out

Sent from my iPhone

On May 8, 2019, at 3:23 PM, Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

See question below thanks ng

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**From:** Rowan, Anne  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 8, 2019 1:55 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Bassler, Rachel <Bassler.Rachel@epa.gov>; Kelley, Jeff <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Draft Media Advisory for McLouth Steel Press Conference - to go today at 2 p.m. CDT

Should we embargo it until the start of our media availability at 2PM (Eastern) on Monday?

Or until the HQ press release goes out – is that going to be 9:30AM (Eastern)? That would make sense to me if we have an actual time set for the national press release ...

Please advise. Thanks!

Anne Rowan, Chief  
News Media & Intergovernmental Relations Section  
Office of External Communications  
U.S. EPA Region 5, Chicago  
[rowan.anne@epa.gov](mailto:rowan.anne@epa.gov)  
312-353-9391

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 08, 2019 12:38 PM  
**To:** Rowan, Anne <[rowan.anne@epa.gov](mailto:rowan.anne@epa.gov)>; Bassler, Rachel <[Bassler.Rachel@epa.gov](mailto:Bassler.Rachel@epa.gov)>; Kelley, Jeff <[kelley.jeff@epa.gov](mailto:kelley.jeff@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
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See corry's note below

Thnks ng

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**From:** Schiermeyer, Corry  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 8, 2019 1:36 PM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Harwood, Jackie <[Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov](mailto:Harwood.Jackie@epa.gov)>; McFaul, Jessica <[mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov](mailto:mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Draft Media Advisory for McLouth Steel Press Conference - to go today at 2 p.m. CDT

Please add a line that says:  
For Planning Purposes Only, Embargoed until ?

I don't want reporting on this prior to Monday's event

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Region 5 now has an event for Monday .. see their media advisory .. thanks ng

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**From:** Bassler, Rachel  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 8, 2019 1:04 PM  
**To:** regionalpress <[regionalpress@epa.gov](mailto:regionalpress@epa.gov)>; Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Kelley, Jeff <[kelly.jeff@epa.gov](mailto:kelly.jeff@epa.gov)>; Rowan, Anne <[rowan.anne@epa.gov](mailto:rowan.anne@epa.gov)>; Deamer, Eileen <[deamer.eileen@epa.gov](mailto:deamer.eileen@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Draft Media Advisory for McLouth Steel Press Conference - to go today at 2 p.m. CDT  
**Importance:** High

Attached is the draft media advisory we would like to send today at 2 p.m. CDT to announce the McLouth Steel NPL press conference on Monday. Good to go? We will start Congressional notifications at 1 p.m. CDT.

Thanks,  
Rachel

Rachel Bassler  
Press Officer  
U.S. EPA Region 5  
[bassler.rachel@epa.gov](mailto:bassler.rachel@epa.gov)  
p: 312-886-7159  
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<Draft Media Advisory McLouth Steel NPL press conference 5.8.19 v2.docx>

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**From:** Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/11/2019 2:33:48 PM  
**To:** Regional Public Affairs Directors [Regional\_Public\_Affairs\_Directors@epa.gov]; HQ Communications Directors [HQCommunicationsDirectors@epa.gov]  
**CC:** McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]; Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]; Richardson, RobinH [Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: FY 2020 Budget Highlights  
**Attachments:** FINAL\_FY 2020 Budget Highlights.docx; EPA's FY 2020 Budget in Brief.pdf; FINAL FY 2020 Budget Press Release.docx

Hi all—

Just wanted you to have the materials for today's budget announcement. The release will be coming out of HQ around 12pm today. Please note that the talking points are for senior leadership only and should be kept close hold. The website linked in the press release (which will include the budget in brief document), will go live around noon as well.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thanks.

-Andrea-

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**From:** Greaves, Holly  
**Sent:** Monday, March 11, 2019 9:56 AM  
**To:** Leadership\_Assistant\_Administators <Leadership\_Assistant\_Administators@epa.gov>; Leadership\_Deputy\_Assistant\_Administrators <Leadership\_Deputy\_Assistant\_Administrators@epa.gov>; Leadership\_Regional\_Administrators <Leadership\_Regional\_Administrators@epa.gov>; Leadership\_Deputy\_Regional\_Administrators <Leadership\_Deputy\_Regional\_Administrators@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Bloom, David <Bloom.David@epa.gov>; Terris, Carol <Terris.Carol@epa.gov>; Williams, Maria <Williams.Maria@epa.gov>; Baden, Beth <Baden.Beth@epa.gov>; McMichael, Nate <McMichael.Nate@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Hanson, Paige (Catherine) <hanson.catherine@epa.gov>; Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>; Molina, Michael <molina.michael@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FY 2020 Budget Highlights

Good morning,

Today, the Office of Management and Budget will present the overall Federal budget for FY 2020, and EPA will release the Agency's FY 2020 Budget in Brief and press release. Attached please find some budget highlights that you may use in conversations with your staff.

This is the first step in the budget process. The Executive branch presents a budget, and Congress ultimately enacts final appropriation levels.

Please do not distribute this document to your staff or any other external party – this is an internal document for your reference only.

Thank you, and please let me know if you have any questions.

Holly Greaves

Message

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**From:** regionalpress [regionalpress@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/10/2018 5:23:04 PM  
**To:** Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: Draft Comms Strategy for Regional Administrator Visit to Puerto Rico and the USVI (Sept 17 - 20)  
**Attachments:** Purerto Rico USVI Trip Comms Strategy Sept 10 DRAFT.docx

As discussed thanks ng

**Nancy Grantham**  
**Office of Public Affairs**  
**US Environmental Protection Agency**  
**202-564-6879 (desk)**  

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**From:** Kluesner, Dave  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2018 11:12 AM  
**To:** regionalpress <regionalpress@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; Rini, Sophia <Rini.Sophia@epa.gov>; Rodriguez, Elias <Rodriguez.Elias@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Draft Comms Strategy for Regional Administrator Visit to Puerto Rico and the USVI (Sept 17 - 20)

Attached is a draft communications strategy for your awareness, review and input. Please note that the strategy acknowledges the sensitivities of, and possible need to modify due to, Hurricane Florence impacts. Our current plan is to 

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**David W. Kluesner**



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Deputy Director, Public Affairs  
290 Broadway, 26<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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**From:** Thomas, Latosha [Thomas.Latosha@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/20/2018 3:05:03 PM  
**To:** Hart, Michael [michael.hart@fema.dhs.gov]; Richardson, Yasamie [yasamie.richardson@fema.dhs.gov]; FEMA-News-Desk [FEMA-News-Desk@fema.dhs.gov]  
**CC:** EOC Public Information [EOC\_Public\_Information@epa.gov]; Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Cheatham, Reggie [cheatham.reggie@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Press Briefings for Today (9/20)

Great. Thanks!

Latosha Thomas  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
OLEM/OEM/RMD  
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**From:** Hart, Michael [mailto:michael.hart@fema.dhs.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 20, 2018 11:03 AM  
**To:** Thomas, Latosha <Thomas.Latosha@epa.gov>; Richardson, Yasamie <yasamie.richardson@fema.dhs.gov>; FEMA-News-Desk <FEMA-News-Desk@fema.dhs.gov>  
**Cc:** EOC Public Information <EOC\_Public\_Information@epa.gov>; Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Cheatham, Reggie <cheatham.reggie@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Press Briefings for Today (9/20)

Hi Latosha,

There is no press briefing scheduled today at FEMA. If the state of North Carolina governor hosts a media event today it will be streaming via this link:

<https://www.ncdps.gov/florence>

Regards,

**Michael R. Hart**

News Desk Manager

Office of External Affairs

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**From:** Thomas, Latosha [<mailto:Thomas.Latosha@epa.gov>]

**Sent:** Thursday, September 20, 2018 10:57 AM

**To:** Richardson, Yasamie <[yasamie.richardson@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:yasamie.richardson@fema.dhs.gov)>; FEMA-News-Desk <[FEMA-News-Desk@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-News-Desk@fema.dhs.gov)>

**Cc:** EOC Public Information <[EOC\\_Public\\_Information@epa.gov](mailto:EOC_Public_Information@epa.gov)>; Sauerhage, Maggie <[Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov](mailto:Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov)>;

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**Subject:** Press Briefings for Today (9/20)

Hi!

We shouldn't be expecting any FEMA press briefings/calls today, correct?

Also, is there a press briefing that NC DPS is streaming?

Thanks!

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**Sent:** 3/16/2017 7:01:55 PM  
**To:** Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: JOHN BUDGET, BNA re: congressional justification

Approved

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**From:** Valentine, Julia  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 16, 2017 3:01 PM  
**To:** Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** JOHN BUDGET, BNA re: congressional justification  
**Importance:** High

**OUTLET:** Bloomberg BNA  
**Reporter:** Pat Rizzutto, Chemicals reporter

**Question:** Will EPA release Congressional Justifications for the fiscal year 2018 budget? If so, what's the timeline for releasing those?  
Will it host a budget briefing? If so when, where?  
Is anything available today other than the posted "FY 2018 Federal Budget Blueprint?"

**EPA Answer:**

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**Sent:** Thursday, March 16, 2017 11:27 AM  
**To:** prizzuto@bna.com; Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: budget details + plans to release Congressional Justifications for fiscal year 2018 budget [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Pat, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We'll get back to you if we have anything to share.





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**Sent:** 3/16/2017 6:54:01 PM  
**To:** Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: JOHN BUDGET: Reuters reporter re: superfund clean up

Approved with my edits below...

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**Sent:** Thursday, March 16, 2017 2:50 PM  
**To:** Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** JOHN BUDGET: Reuters reporter re: superfund clean up  
**Importance:** High

**OUTLET:** Reuters  
**Reporter:** Ben Klayman  
Editor, U.S. General News - Central and West

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**Sent:** Thursday, March 16, 2017 11:20 AM  
**To:** Daguiard, Robert <Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: from Reuters reporter

OK thanks, would welcome any comments in the interest of fairness and balance. If you have suggestions for others to reach out to, I welcome that to

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**From:** Daguiard, Robert [<mailto:Daguiard.Robert@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 16, 2017 11:17 AM  
**To:** Klayman, Ben (Reuters News); Press  
**Subject:** RE: from Reuters reporter

Hullo Benjamin,

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We'll get back to you if we have anything to share.

Thanks, R.

Robert Daguiard  
Office of Media Relations  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
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**From:** [benjamin.klayman@thomsonreuters.com](mailto:benjamin.klayman@thomsonreuters.com) [<mailto:benjamin.klayman@thomsonreuters.com>]  
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Ben

Reins in Superfund administrative costs and emphasizes efficiency efforts by funding the Hazardous Substance Superfund Account at \$762 million, \$330 million below the 2017 annualized CR level. The agency would prioritize the use of existing settlement funds to clean up hazardous waste sites and look for ways to remove some of the barriers that have delayed the program's ability to return sites to the community

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Editor, U.S. General News - Central and West

Reuters News

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Message

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**Sent:** 4/14/2017 8:15:25 PM  
**To:** Lyons, Troy [lyons.troy@epa.gov]; Hupp, Millan [hupp.millan@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Hupp, Sydney [hupp.sydney@epa.gov]; Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]; Freire, JP [Freire.JP@epa.gov]; Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Missouri April 20 Briefing Materials  
**Attachments:** Missouri Plan Outline DRAFT.docx

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Troy

Troy M. Lyons  
*Associate Administrator*  
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Thank you Troy and John, these materials are perfect!

John -- could you please include just a little more detail in your tic tock such as who is introducing whom and the names of those speaking in addition to their title?

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**Sent:** 4/30/2019 12:59:20 AM  
**To:** Dunn, Alexandra [dunn.alexandra@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Keigwin, Richard [Keigwin.Richard@epa.gov]; Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]; McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Beck, Nancy [Beck.Nancy@epa.gov]; Bolen, Derrick [bolen.derrick@epa.gov]; Baptist, Erik [Baptist.Erik@epa.gov]; Bertrand, Charlotte [Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Glyphosate

Just do what you're comfortable doing.

On Apr 29, 2019, at 8:50 PM, Dunn, Alexandra <[dunn.alexandra@epa.gov](mailto:dunn.alexandra@epa.gov)> wrote:

It would be unusual to do that but if they keep it close hold. What we have is a notice of its availability - document itself will be on web. I don't have the latest. Adding Rick.

Alexandra Dapolito Dunn, Esq.  
Assistant Administrator  
Office of Chemical Safety & Pollution Prevention  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Washington, DC

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 29, 2019, at 8:27 PM, Drinkard, Andrea <[Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov](mailto:Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov)> wrote:

Oops! Forgot to add Charlotte. Adding her here.

On Apr 29, 2019, at 8:04 PM, Drinkard, Andrea <[Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov](mailto:Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov)> wrote:

Adding others for OCSPP.

On Apr 29, 2019, at 7:40 PM, Konkus, John  
<[konkus.john@epa.gov](mailto:konkus.john@epa.gov)> wrote:

Can we send the proposal to USDA for them to look  
at tonight?

John Konkus  
Environmental Protection Agency  
Deputy Associate Administrator for Public Affairs  
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**Sent:** 7/19/2018 11:38:52 AM  
**To:** Dunn, Alexandra [dunn.alexandra@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Draft Run of Show for R1/New Bedford Visit

Very good Alex.

On Jul 19, 2018, at 7:00 AM, Dunn, Alexandra <dunn.alexandra@epa.gov> wrote:

*Sent from my iPhone*

Alexandra Dapolito Dunn, J.D.  
Regional Administrator  
Region 1 New England  
(617) 918-1012

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**From:** "Dunn, Alexandra" <dunn.alexandra@epa.gov>  
**Date:** July 18, 2018 at 7:30:20 PM EDT  
**To:** "Dixon, Sean" <dixon.sean@epa.gov>, "Szaro, Deb" <Szaro.Deb@epa.gov>, "Olson, Bryan" <Olson.Bryan@epa.gov>, "Gutro, Doug" <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>, "Bender, Emily" <Bender.Emily@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Draft Run of Show for R1/New Bedford Visit

Hi there! Thanks for putting this together. I think it will just be Michael Abboud and Michael Molina and Ken coming in from HQ. Going to be a wonderful day.

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**From:** Dunn, Alexandra  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 18, 2018 4:13 PM  
**To:** Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>; Kunding, Kelly <kunding.kelly@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Draft Run of Show for R1/New Bedford Visit

All - if you concur this is what we agreed to at noon  
can we circulate to our teams?

Wednesday July 25

903 AW arrives Logan w Molina Abboud  
945 arrive at R1 - R1 to arrange garage access  
10-1025 meeting w R1 Sr Leadership Team  
1030-1130 All Hands w R1 Staff (remarks 1030-11,  
Q&A 11-1115, informal meet greet 1115-1130)

1145 Depart from R1 w Lunch in Car from Chicken  
Guys or Luke's Lobster (R1 to circulate menus  
handle food pickup and collect \$)

1145-115 Drive to New Bedford - do press calls  
from car - brief stop and photo at Sullivan's Ledge  
solar array

-R1 to provide photographer

130-200 media event at NB Harbor near dewatering  
facility (R1 to have rain venue in mind - under  
cover at facility or work w City on Tent)  
Mayor and RA Dunn to welcome AW preremarks

-R1 to ID media w HQ  
-R1 to work on invites w HQ (MassDEP already  
coming Army Corps too)

210-300 Harbor tour on boat. Current boat under  
epa control holds 8. Mayor RA Wheeler Molina +  
Others as ID'd unless other boat possible.

-Boat use requires ethics review by HQ.

300 - Departure for Providence Airport. 5 pm  
flight.

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**From:** Mark Drajem (BLOOMBERG/ NEWSROOM:) [mdrajem@bloomberg.net]  
**Sent:** 5/27/2015 2:10:31 PM  
**To:** Lee, Monica [Lee.Monica@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY - UNDER EMBARGO UNTIL 10 AM EDT: EPA & ARMY HOLDING 9:15AM CLEAN WATER RULE PRESS CALL

Have you guys published the actual rule somewhere?

----- Original Message -----

From: Lee.Monica@epa.gov  
To: Lee.Monica@epa.gov  
At: May 27 2015 09:02:53

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Message

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**From:** Harder, Amy [Amy.Harder@wsj.com]  
**Sent:** 5/27/2015 2:08:14 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]; Lee, Monica [Lee.Monica@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: copy of the rule itself & press release?

How can you have something under embargo until 10 a.m. and yet not release the actual rule or the press release or nothing that actually explains the rule other than a blog post that is light on details? With all due respect, this whole way you've rolled the rule out makes no sense.

Amy Harder  
energy reporter  
The Wall Street Journal  
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**From:** Purchia, Liz [mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 27, 2015 10:06 AM  
**To:** Harder, Amy; Lee, Monica  
**Subject:** RE: copy of the rule itself & press release?

I'll clarify your question. Monica will make sure you get the rule and release.

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**From:** Harder, Amy [mailto:Amy.Harder@wsj.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 27, 2015 9:48 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz; Lee, Monica  
**Subject:** copy of the rule itself & press release?

Hello Liz and Monica, I dialed into the call late as I only received Monica's second email at 9 a.m. and not the one she apparently sent at 7:15, which was unfortunate to say the least. Can you send me the copy of the rule itself and the press release under embargo? A blog post isn't enough to write a story off of and I haven't received anything else.

Also, I'm a bit confused about the 3% and 60% figures the Administrator just talked about a moment ago. Do you have anything that explains that a bit?

Thanks,

Amy

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**Sent:** 5/27/2015 2:06:16 PM  
**To:** Lee, Monica [Lee.Monica@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY - UNDER EMBARGO UNTIL 10 AM EDT: EPA & ARMY HOLDING 9:15AM CLEAN WATER RULE PRESS CALL

Good morning, Monica. Is there any way to listen to this call again?

Thanks,  
Christopher

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**Sent:** 5/27/2015 11:17:41 AM  
**To:** Lee, Monica [Lee.Monica@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Automatic reply: FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY - UNDER EMBARGO UNTIL 10 AM EDT: EPA & ARMY HOLDING 9:15AM CLEAN WATER RULE PRESS CALL

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<http://tinyletter.com/jdsutter>

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**Sent:** 5/27/2015 11:17:21 AM  
**To:** Lee, Monica [Lee.Monica@epa.gov]  
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Thank you for your message. I am on vacation the week of May 25th. If this is urgent, please call me at [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)] You may also contact my editors Cy Zaneski [czaneski@eenews.net] or Josh Kurtz [jkurtz@eenews.net].

Best wishes,

Tiffany



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**Sent:** 5/27/2015 2:01:31 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY - UNDER EMBARGO UNTIL 10 AM EDT: EPA & ARMY HOLDING 9:15AM CLEAN WATER RULE PRESS CALL

Hi Monica-

Thanks for holding the call. Any word on when the text of the rule will be made public.

Jenny Hopkinson  
Reporter, **POLITICO Pro**  
@jennyhops

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**Sent:** 5/27/2015 1:56:06 PM  
**To:** Lee, Monica [Lee.Monica@epa.gov]  
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**From:** Jalonick, Mary Clare [mjalonick@ap.org]  
**Sent:** 5/27/2015 11:29:10 AM  
**To:** Lee, Monica [Lee.Monica@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY - UNDER EMBARGO UNTIL 10 AM EDT: EPA & ARMY HOLDING 9:15AM CLEAN WATER RULE PRESS CALL

I'll be on - thanks.

Sent from my iPhone

On May 27, 2015, at 7:17 AM, Lee, Monica <Lee.Monica@epa.gov> wrote:

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RSVP to Monica Lee.

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**From:** John Herath [jherath@Farmjournal.com]  
**Sent:** 5/27/2015 11:21:43 AM  
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**Subject:** Re: FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY - UNDER EMBARGO UNTIL 10 AM EDT: EPA & ARMY HOLDING 9:15AM CLEAN WATER RULE PRESS CALL

I will be participating in the call.

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On Wed, May 27, 2015 at 4:18 AM -0700, "Lee, Monica" <[Lee.Monica@epa.gov](mailto:Lee.Monica@epa.gov)> wrote:

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**From:** Leven, Rachel [rleven@bna.com]  
**Sent:** 4/14/2015 5:25:49 PM  
**To:** Conger, Nick [Conger.Nick@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Lee, Monica [Lee.Monica@epa.gov]; Colaizzi, Jennifer C. [Colaizzi.Jennifer@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Follow Up on EJ2020



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**From:** Todd Neeley [todd.neeley@dtm.com]  
**Sent:** 10/15/2014 2:20:52 PM  
**To:** Lee, Monica [Lee.Monica@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: TODAY at 11:00AM ET: EMBARGOED press call with Jim Jones

Sure, thanks..

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**From:** Lee, Monica [mailto:Lee.Monica@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 15, 2014 9:20 AM  
**To:** Todd Neeley  
**Subject:** RE: TODAY at 11:00AM ET: EMBARGOED press call with Jim Jones

Todd – reminder that this information is EMBARGOED. Please don't tweet or put out any information on this until after the embargo breaks at noon.

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**From:** Todd Neeley [mailto:todd.neeley@dtm.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 15, 2014 10:11 AM  
**To:** Lee, Monica  
**Subject:** RE: TODAY at 11:00AM ET: EMBARGOED press call with Jim Jones

Yes...

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**From:** Lee, Monica [mailto:Lee.Monica@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 15, 2014 9:10 AM  
**To:** Todd Neeley  
**Subject:** RE: TODAY at 11:00AM ET: EMBARGOED press call with Jim Jones

Of course – will you be able to join?

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**From:** Todd Neeley [mailto:todd.neeley@dtm.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 15, 2014 10:08 AM  
**To:** Lee, Monica  
**Subject:** RE: TODAY at 11:00AM ET: EMBARGOED press call with Jim Jones

Thanks very much Monica...

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**From:** Lee, Monica [mailto:Lee.Monica@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 15, 2014 9:03 AM  
**To:** Todd Neeley  
**Subject:** TODAY at 11:00AM ET: EMBARGOED press call with Jim Jones

Hi Todd – hope you can join this call with Jim Jones at 11AM ET:

**FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY:**

TODAY at 11:00 AM ET, Jim Jones, Assistant Administrator for EPA's Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention, will hold an EMBARGOED press call with reporters to discuss EPA's decision on Enlist Duo. This is an invite only call. Those members of the press who have been invited should use the information below to dial into the call. All information from the call is embargoed for 12:00PM ET.

**Call Title:** EPA conference call

**Dial in #:** [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

**Passcode:** [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

Participants will be asked for their name, media outlet and email address in addition to the conference ID number.

Monica Lee

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**From:** Dan Looker [Dan.Looker@meredith.com]  
**Sent:** 7/10/2014 4:45:53 PM  
**To:** Lee, Monica [Lee.Monica@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Clean Water Proposal speech excerpts

Thanks, Monica

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**From:** <Lee>, Monica <Lee.Monica@epa.gov>  
**Date:** Thursday, July 10, 2014 11:42 AM  
**To:** "Lee, Monica" <Lee.Monica@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Clean Water Proposal speech excerpts

Under embargo until 1:00 PM ET, below are excerpts from the speech on the Clean Water Proposal as prepared from Administrator Gina McCarthy. The full text of the speech will be sent out and available around 2:00 PM ET.

#### **SPEECH EXCERPTS**

Today, I'm here to talk about our Clean Water Act proposal, which was called for by the Supreme Court and by numerous state organizations, as well as numerous agriculture stakeholder groups. The aim of this proposal is clear: to clear up legal confusion and protect waters that are vital to our health, using sound science so that EPA can get its job done. It is crucial that we keep farmers and the ag industry as a whole doing what they do best: producing the food, fuel, and fiber that provide for our American way of life. The kinds of water bodies we'll protect provide drinking water to 1 in 3 Americans.

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We agree that people have a right to healthy land and clean water, so we have to make sure people understand that the practices we put in place are reasonable and consistently applied. That's how we make sure everyone is playing by the same rules, and that everyone can fully work their farms and ranches with confidence and certainty. All of us rely on science and accurate facts. Farmers need to know what to plant and when to plant it, and EPA needs to know how to protect our precious water resources for everyone to enjoy. So it's great to be here to talk facts and roll up our sleeves to work together to benefit producers and public health.

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Yesterday, we heard very clearly some of the concerns about our proposed rule. Let me clear up some of that: We heard fears that EPA is regulating groundwater. This is not true; groundwater regulations do and will fall under the purview of the states. EPA is not regulating all activities in floodplains, or every puddle, dry wash, and erosional feature. In fact, we're doing just the opposite. If cattle cross a wet field – let them. That's a normal farming practice, and all normal farming practices are still exempt. The bottom line is – if you didn't need a permit before this proposed rule, you won't need one when it's finalized.

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So let's talk about the interpretive rule and the 56 conservation practices that are good for production and good for water quality. That rule seems to have generated lots of confusion. So, why did we want to list out those 56 practices? Those 56 are an attempt to clear the path for slam dunk conservation practices. We did not narrow exemptions; those 56 are a subset to the existing exemptions for normal farming, ranching, and silviculture. No one should have to think twice about taking advantage of these conservation practices.

Some mistakenly think that this means additional federal standards with which to comply, but that's wrong. Conservation practice standards are not federal regulatory standards. They just provide a roadmap for producers to make sure they're squeezing all they can out of their practice.

New exemptions are "self-implementing," which means no one needs to notify or get approval from EPA or the Corps. There's no need to double check with anyone at any time. I'm sure farmers agree that the best discussion on jurisdictional determinations is one that never needs to happen. We added 56 exemptions because we want to boost conservation without boosting bureaucracy. Is the interpretive rule the best way to do that? Let's figure that out together. I am about outcomes, not process.

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**From:** Harder, Amy [Amy.Harder@wsj.com]  
**Sent:** 8/18/2015 2:41:15 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: NOON EDT: EPA's Office of Air and Radiation to Hold Media Call on Proposed Methane Standards for Oil

Hi Liz, I'm just circling back on this. It would be a huge help to get the fact sheet and press release ahead of time so I can read over that stuff before the noon call. Any chance you can send something ahead of time?

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**From:** Harder, Amy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 18, 2015 9:21 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: NOON EDT: EPA's Office of Air and Radiation to Hold Media Call on Proposed Methane Standards for Oil

Thanks. Also, any chance you can send me the fact sheet and press release under il embargo for noon? I'll of course make sure I'm clearer on the 40%-45%.

Amy

On Aug 18, 2015, at 9:05 AM, Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)> wrote:

In case you missed it

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**From:** U.S. EPA Media Relations [<mailto:noreply-subscriptions@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 18, 2015 8:01 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
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**NOTE: FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY**

**NOON EDT: EPA's Office of Air and Radiation to Hold Media Call  
on Proposed Methane Standards for Oil and Gas Industry**

**WASHINGTON**—Today at noon EDT, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Acting Assistant Administrator for the Office of Air and Radiation Janet McCabe will hold a press call on methane.

At the direction of President Obama, the EPA is proposing a flexible approach to reducing emissions of the potent greenhouse gas methane and smog-forming volatile organic compounds (VOCs) to combat climate change and reduce air pollution that harms public health.

**WHO:** Janet McCabe, acting assistant administrator for EPA's Office of Air and Radiation

**WHAT:** Press conference call on methane

**WHEN:** Tuesday, August 18, Noon EDT

**HOW:** Members of the media interested in participating should dial in ten minutes prior to the beginning of the call at Noon EDT. Please call [redacted] and give the conference ID number [redacted] the name of the call is "Methane Press Call."

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**From:** Doering, Christopher [cdoering@usatoday.com]  
**Sent:** 9/28/2015 3:16:31 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: TODAY: 2:15 PM EDT: MEDIA CONFERENCE CALL WITH EPA ADMINISTRATOR, LABOR SECRETARY, AND PRESIDENT OF UNITED FARM WORKERS TO ANNOUNCE NEW STANDARDS TO PROTECT THE NATION'S FARMWOKERS

Liz, I hope you are doing well. Is there anything you can send under EMBARGO on this like a press release or fact sheet or something? I promise not to file until after 2:15 or whatever time you see fit. I'm pretty back up today and hoping to get a jump on this if possible.

Thank you,

Christopher Doering

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**From:** Purchia, Liz [mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 28, 2015 10:58 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** TODAY: 2:15 PM EDT: MEDIA CONFERENCE CALL WITH EPA ADMINISTRATOR, LABOR SECRETARY, AND PRESIDENT OF UNITED FARM WORKERS TO ANNOUNCE NEW STANDARDS TO PROTECT THE NATION'S FARMWOKERS

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
September 28, 2015

## **TODAY: 2:15 PM EDT: MEDIA CONFERENCE CALL WITH EPA ADMINISTRATOR, LABOR SECRETARY, AND PRESIDENT OF UNITED FARM WORKERS TO ANNOUNCE NEW STANDARDS TO PROTECT THE NATION'S FARMWOKERS**

**WASHINGTON-** Today, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing revisions to its worker protection standard to protect the nation's two million farm workers and their families from pesticide exposure. Each year, thousands of potentially preventable pesticide exposure incidents are reported that lead to sick days, lost wages, and medical bills. The changes being announced today can reduce the risk of injury or illness resulting from contact with pesticides on farms and in forests, nurseries and greenhouses.



**WHO:** U.S. EPA Administrator McCarthy, U.S. Labor Secretary Perez, and Arturo Rodriguez, President of the United Farm Workers

**WHAT:** Media conference call to outline revisions to the farm worker protection standard

**WHO:** U.S. EPA Administrator McCarthy and U.S. Labor Secretary Perez, and Arturo Rodriguez, President of the United Farm Workers will hold a media conference call to announce the new revisions to the EPA farm worker rule.

**WHAT:** Media conference call to outline the revisions to the farm worker protection standard

**WHEN:** Monday, September 28, 2015 at 2:15 PM EDT

**WHERE:** Teleconference call:

**Operator Assisted**

Participant **Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)**

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**From:** Sutter, John [John.Sutter@turner.com]  
**Sent:** 6/19/2015 9:49:45 PM  
**To:** Davis, Jay [Davis.Jay@epa.gov]; Chin, Anika [Anika.Chin@turner.com]; Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]; Williams, David (TBS) [David.Williams@turner.com]  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi Jay -

Let's do a quick call Monday. Maybe 10:30am ET?

We can use this dial-in: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) .. password: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Does that work?

Thanks!

John

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**From:** Davis, Jay <Davis.Jay@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 2:40 PM  
**To:** Chin, Anika; Purchia, Liz; Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Nice to meet you, Anika and John!

It would be helpful to hop on the phone for a quick 15-minute call to touch base about logistics, structure and promotion. Do you have time either today or Monday to connect?

We've done a Facebook Q&A before, as well as chats on various other platforms. We're looking forward to this.

Best,

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**From:** Chin, Anika [mailto:Anika.Chin@turner.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 12:47 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz; Sutter, John  
**Cc:** Davis, Jay  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Absolutely happy to chat and answer any questions you guys may have.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz [mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 12:40 PM

**To:** Sutter, John  
**Cc:** Chin, Anika; Davis, Jay  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Cool. Adding Jay Davis who handles all things digital. She has a public page.

Maybe he and Anika could chat.

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On Jun 19, 2015, at 12:36 PM, Sutter, John <[John.Sutter@turner.com](mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com)> wrote:  
+ Anika from our social team.

Anika, meet Liz from the EPA.

I believe the administrator would just log into facebook as herself (assuming she has a public/verified page right?). We would kick it off, and get people to ask questions. She'd just respond as they come in.

I'll be there too to help moderate a bit.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 12:01 PM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Ok, that should work. How would we figure out logistics?

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**From:** Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 11:49 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Excellent, thanks!

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 11:48 AM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

I think w may be able to make the 1pm work on Tuesday. I'm just confirming with our scheduling office.

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**From:** Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 11:04 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Could the administrator do a FB chat at 1pm ET on Tuesday? We could host it on the CNN Facebook page then. Likely would last 30 min. Could do 2pm ET if that's better. Early afternoon is usually best for pick-up on chats.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 9:13 AM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Also, please don't share until Monday, but here is video you can include with your story if you'd like  
<https://youtu.be/Iz0NKA1yuo>

Do you want to do the FB chat? If so, I just need to get our digital folks looped in.

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**From:** Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 9:12 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Thank you, Liz!

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 8:43 AM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi John – Here's the draft report under embargo until your story lifts at 9am Monday.

[https://www.dropbox.com/s/drboxdtzn6xhy/CIRA%20Report\\_Embargoed.pdf?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/s/drboxdtzn6xhy/CIRA%20Report_Embargoed.pdf?dl=0)

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**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 18, 2015 11:27 AM  
**To:** 'Sutter, John'  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Thanks John. Should be able to get you a dropbox later today

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**From:** Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 18, 2015 11:13 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi Liz! Sounds good - we'll publish Monday at 9am ET then.  
Can you send me the full report? I think all I have is the fact sheet.  
Thanks again for setting this up. Really a pleasure to talk with the administrator. Enjoyed it.  
And will let you know about a FB chat. Thanks for following up there, too

John

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 18, 2015 11:06 AM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi John – Following up.

We're good with you lifting the embargo for the story at 9AM on Monday. That will be about an hour before we make the announcement.

Let me know if you're interested in the FB chat.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 17, 2015 3:02 PM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi John – Just wanted to check back and see if you need anything for your story? The Administrator really enjoyed talking with you.

I think we still want to discuss when this posts, whether it's Sunday night or Monday morning.

Also, are you interested in still doing a Facebook chat? If so, we'll just need to figure out schedules here, but I think it would be a great thing to do if we can.

It looks like CNN New Day is interested in having the Administrator on live on Monday to talk about the report.

Liz

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**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2015 4:00 PM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Calling in 2

Liz Purchia  
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On Jun 16, 2015, at 12:17 PM, Sutter, John <[John.Sutter@turner.com](mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com)> wrote:  
Sounds good! Looking forward to it.

Sent from a phone

On Jun 16, 2015, at 11:53 AM, Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)> wrote:

Great, we'll call that.

And so you know, I've told the Administrator about the series you're working on and she has seen some of your work. She'll plan to talk about this report, answer questions about the findings, what this means for our work going forward and how it fits into international discussions going on.

Is there anything more specific you'd like to ask her that I should let her know about?

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**From:** Sutter, John [mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2015 11:50 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

I think my cell will be best. Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Thanks and talk soon!

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2015 8:36 AM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Great. Thanks!

Liz Purchia  
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On Jun 16, 2015, at 8:32 AM, Sutter, John <John.Sutter@turner.com> wrote:  
Morning! Will get back to you very shortly with the number! And I like the idea of a FB chat. Will check with our social team about timing etc. Thanks again!  
On Jun 16, 2015 8:15 AM, "Purchia, Liz" <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:  
Hi John - just wanted to see what number we should call this afternoon?

Liz Purchia  
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On Jun 15, 2015, at 4:20 PM, Purchia, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:

Looking forward to tomorrow. Any interest in potentially doing a 2 degrees Facebook chat with us on the day of the announcement, June 22?

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Sutter, John [mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 11, 2015 12:29 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Sounds good! Thanks again.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 11, 2015 12:22 PM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Yeah that works. We can figure it out Tuesday morning.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Sutter, John [mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 11, 2015 12:21 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz

Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

I may go to an edit room so I can record the call for transcription purposes. Can I call you? Not sure which one will be open then. Or I can ping you Tuesday morning with the number I'll use.

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From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
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To: Sutter, John  
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Great. We'll call you. What's the best number?

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Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2015 12:17 PM  
To: Purchia, Liz  
Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

That's perfect. What number should I call? Thanks!

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To: Sutter, John  
Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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To: Purchia, Liz  
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thanks!

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Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2015 3:48 PM  
To: Sutter, John  
Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Sure that works

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From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2015 3:42 PM  
To: Purchia, Liz  
Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

This training session is running long. Can I give you a ring tomorrow morning? Also will give me time to read over the report first.

Sent from a phone

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> Hey John - Under embargo, for you only, attached is a draft fact sheet on the study.  
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> Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2015 1:05 PM  
> To: Sutter, John  
> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?  
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> Great. I will send over and try to call you around 4 at the 404 number below.  
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> Liz Purchia  
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> Hi Liz - would love to look at the embargo and let's try to set the interview for next week on the phone. Let me know what day might work for you. Out of the office at the moment but will be at my desk around 4p.  
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> Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2015 12:40 PM  
> To: Sutter, John  
> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?  
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> Hey John - we're getting closer to announcing this? I can send over an embargoed copy of the report if you'd like. For your planning - we'd probably need to make an interview happen next week. Let me know if you'd like to jump on the phone.  
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> On May 5, 2015, at 10:45 AM, Sutter, John <[John.Sutter@turner.com](mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com)<<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>>> wrote:  
>  
> Sounds good, and thanks again for the offer on this. Being able to publish before the report's release would be great.  
>  
> Let me know what you all decide on timing. And I'd be interested in  
> the interview, of course. Thanks again -- John  
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> From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>>

> Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2015 10:36 AM

> To: Sutter, John

> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> I think we could get you an advanced copy of the report before June 8. I'll see if I can get you an embargo of the executive summary sooner rather than later.

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> If we give you the report exclusively, I'd be open to you guys posting the morning or night before the report's release.

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> From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]

> Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2015 10:27 AM

> To: Purchia, Liz

> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Sounds great. So publishing on June 8? If I could get an embargoed copy in advance, maybe we could do the interview about it the first week in June? Would we be able to publish something in advance of the report's release, potentially?

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> From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>>

> Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2015 10:10 AM

> To: Sutter, John

> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Yes, the report looks at what the economic benefits to the U.S. would be if we are able to prevent the earth from warming 2 degrees. Or another way of looking at it is the economic costs of inaction. If we don't avoid the 2 degrees rise, here's what will happen.

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> It breaks the economic costs down by sector, for example, the impact on agriculture, water resources, electricity, health, etc. It also presents regional impacts.

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> The timing is a bit flexible, so we can work with you. Right now we were thinking the week of June 8.

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> From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]

> Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2015 9:56 AM

> To: Purchia, Liz

> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Hi Liz -

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> That sounds awesome, and the report is focused on 2 degrees of warming, right?

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> An interview with Gina McCarthy would definitely be of interest. What's the timing on this?

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> Best,

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> John

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> From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>>  
> Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2015 8:42 AM  
> To: Sutter, John  
> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?  
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> Hi John - I can likely give you this report under exclusively under embargo if you want to discuss setting something up with you and EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy.  
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> Let me know if you'd like to jump on the phone to discuss.  
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> Liz  
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> Liz Purchia  
> Deputy Associate Administrator, Public Affairs U.S. Environmental  
> Protection Agency  
> Office: 202-564-6691  
> Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)  
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>  
> From: Purchia, Liz  
> Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 11:56 AM  
> To: 'Sutter, John'  
> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?  
>  
> I'll check and see if we can get you something ahead of time.  
>  
> From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
> Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 11:51 AM  
> To: Purchia, Liz  
> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?  
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>  
> Oh that's great. Would love to talk about it. Do you know when you might have an embargoed report? Got several reader questions about economic benefits of doing something. Thanks!  
> On Apr 20, 2015 11:38 AM, "Purchia, Liz" <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>> wrote:  
> Great, sounds good.  
>  
> Just for your planning purposes - in May we are planning to put out a report about the economic benefits and avoided costs if we are able to prevent the temperature from rising 2 degrees. Maybe that's something we can discuss down the line.  
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> From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
> Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 11:35 AM  
> To: Purchia, Liz  
> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?  
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>  
> Hi Liz - thanks for reaching out! Will be back in touch as we get our  
> coverage plan set. Thanks also for sending those resources. Very  
> helpful of you. Best, John  
> --  
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> John D. Sutter  
> Columnist, CNN

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> From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>>  
> Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 11:33 AM  
> To: Sutter, John  
> Subject: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?  
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> Hi John - I work in the press office at EPA and we saw the video about the coverage you'll be doing on climate change this year and efforts to reduce carbon emissions to prevent temperature rises  
> <https://www.facebook.com/cnn/videos/10153569174821509/> .  
>  
> Just thought I'd reach out to offer us as a resource. A lot of information about our work on climate change is available here: <http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/>. We also have the head of the EPA, Gina McCarthy, who can be a guest if you'd like to discuss that. As you probably know, EPA is leading the Administration's efforts on reducing our carbon emissions by implementing the president's Climate Action Plan  
> <https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2013/06/25/fact-sheet-president-obama-s-climate-action-plan>.  
>  
> Let me know if you'd like to set up a time to chat or if I can provide you with more info.  
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> Liz  
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> Liz Purchia  
> Deputy Associate Administrator, Public Affairs U.S. Environmental  
> Protection Agency  
> Office: 202-564-6691  
> Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)  
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> <Fact Sheet\_5 26 15.pdf>

Message

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**From:** Sutter, John [John.Sutter@turner.com]  
**Sent:** 6/22/2015 8:12:08 PM  
**To:** Davis, Jay [Davis.Jay@epa.gov]; Chin, Anika [Anika.Chin@turner.com]; Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]; Williams, David (TBS) [David.Williams@turner.com]  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi Jay - sorry, this afternoon got away from me.

Can you still do 9:30am ET tomorrow?

I think we would be OK without a call if that time won't work. We'll post on CNN's FB page - can send you the link and all we will need is for the administrator to be there and logged in as herself, ready to take questions from readers at about 12:55pm ET tomorrow. We're telling our followers the chat will take place at 1pm ET tomorrow. The conversation will happen in the comments on that main post. I'll hop in and post a link to the report and today's Q&A as a primer for people. All of that sound OK?

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**From:** Davis, Jay <Davis.Jay@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 22, 2015 2:18 PM  
**To:** Sutter, John; Chin, Anika; Purchia, Liz; Williams, David (TBS)  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

No, it should be pretty quick.

Sorry to ask, but would anytime this afternoon work for you?

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**From:** Sutter, John [mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 22, 2015 10:38 AM  
**To:** Davis, Jay; Chin, Anika; Purchia, Liz; Williams, David (TBS)  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

9:30am ET works for me - as long as we can keep it to 15/20 min. Shouldn't take long, I think.

Here's the number:  password:

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**From:** Davis, Jay <Davis.Jay@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 22, 2015 10:35 AM  
**To:** Sutter, John; Chin, Anika; Purchia, Liz; Williams, David (TBS)  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Actually, tomorrow would be better. I can do anytime after 9:30 ET. What works best for you?

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**From:** Sutter, John [mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 22, 2015 10:33 AM  
**To:** Davis, Jay; Chin, Anika; Purchia, Liz; Williams, David (TBS)  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi all - is now a good time for this call? Let me know if you'd like to chat later. Also could do this tomorrow morning since the Facebook conversation is 1pm ET Tuesday/tomorrow. --John

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**From:** Sutter, John  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 5:49 PM  
**To:** Davis, Jay; Chin, Anika; Purchia, Liz; Williams, David (TBS)  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi Jay -

Let's do a quick call Monday. Maybe 10:30am ET?

We can use this dial-in: [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)] ... password [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

Does that work?

Thanks!

John

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**From:** Davis, Jay <[Davis.Jay@epa.gov](mailto:Davis.Jay@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 2:40 PM  
**To:** Chin, Anika; Purchia, Liz; Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Nice to meet you, Anika and John!

It would be helpful to hop on the phone for a quick 15-minute call to touch base about logistics, structure and promotion. Do you have time either today or Monday to connect?

We've done a Facebook Q&A before, as well as chats on various other platforms. We're looking forward to this.

Best,

Jay L. Davis  
Advisor for Digital Strategy and Engagement  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
[Davis.Jay@epa.gov](mailto:Davis.Jay@epa.gov)  
Desk: 202-564-0204  
Cell: [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

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**From:** Chin, Anika [<mailto:Anika.Chin@turner.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 12:47 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz; Sutter, John  
**Cc:** Davis, Jay  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Absolutely happy to chat and answer any questions you guys may have.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz [<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 12:40 PM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Cc:** Chin, Anika; Davis, Jay  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Cool. Adding Jay Davis who handles all things digital. She has a public page.

Maybe he and Anika could chat.

Liz Purchia  
U.S. EPA  
202-564-6691

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On Jun 19, 2015, at 12:36 PM, Sutter, John <[John.Sutter@turner.com](mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com)> wrote:  
+ Anika from our social team.

Anika, meet Liz from the EPA.

I believe the administrator would just log into facebook as herself (assuming she has a public/verified page right?). We would kick it off, and get people to ask questions. She'd just respond as they come in.

I'll be there too to help moderate a bit.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 12:01 PM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Ok, that should work. How would we figure out logistics?

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**From:** Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 11:49 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Excellent, thanks!

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 11:48 AM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

I think w may be able to make the 1pm work on Tuesday. I'm just confirming with our scheduling office.

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**From:** Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 11:04 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
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Could the administrator do a FB chat at 1pm ET on Tuesday? We could host it on the CNN Facebook page then. Likely would last 30 min. Could do 2pm ET if that's better. Early afternoon is usually best for pick-up on chats.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 9:13 AM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Also, please don't share until Monday, but here is video you can include with your story if you'd like  
<https://youtu.be/Iz0NKA1yuo>

Do you want to do the FB chat? If so, I just need to get our digital folks looped in.

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**From:** Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 9:12 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Thank you, Liz!

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 8:43 AM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi John – Here's the draft report under embargo until your story lifts at 9am Monday.

[https://www.dropbox.com/s/drboxdtzn6xhy/CIRA%20Report\\_Embargoed.pdf?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/s/drboxdtzn6xhy/CIRA%20Report_Embargoed.pdf?dl=0)

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**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 18, 2015 11:27 AM  
**To:** 'Sutter, John'  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Thanks John. Should be able to get you a dropbox later today

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**From:** Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 18, 2015 11:13 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi Liz! Sounds good - we'll publish Monday at 9am ET then.  
Can you send me the full report? I think all I have is the fact sheet.  
Thanks again for setting this up. Really a pleasure to talk with the administrator. Enjoyed it.  
And will let you know about a FB chat. Thanks for following up there, too

John

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 18, 2015 11:06 AM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi John – Following up.

We're good with you lifting the embargo for the story at 9AM on Monday. That will be about an hour before we make the announcement.

Let me know if you're interested in the FB chat.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 17, 2015 3:02 PM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi John – Just wanted to check back and see if you need anything for your story? The Administrator really enjoyed talking with you.

I think we still want to discuss when this posts, whether it's Sunday night or Monday morning.

Also, are you interested in still doing a Facebook chat? If so, we'll just need to figure out schedules here, but I think it would be a great thing to do if we can.

It looks like CNN New Day is interested in having the Administrator on live on Monday to talk about the report.

Liz

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**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2015 4:00 PM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Calling in 2

Liz Purchia  
U.S. EPA  
202-564-6691

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On Jun 16, 2015, at 12:17 PM, Sutter, John <[John.Sutter@turner.com](mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com)> wrote:  
Sounds good! Looking forward to it.

Sent from a phone

On Jun 16, 2015, at 11:53 AM, Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)> wrote:

Great, we'll call that.

And so you know, I've told the Administrator about the series you're working on and she has seen some of your work. She'll plan to talk about this report, answer questions about the findings, what this means for our work going forward and how it fits into international discussions going on.

Is there anything more specific you'd like to ask her that I should let her know about?

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**From:** Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2015 11:50 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
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I think my cell will be best: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Thanks and talk soon!

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Great. Thanks!

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Looking forward to tomorrow. Any interest in potentially doing a 2 degrees Facebook chat with us on the day of the announcement, June 22?

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> Hi Liz - would love to look at the embargo and let's try to set the interview for next week on the phone. Let me know what day might work for you. Out of the office at the moment but will be at my desk around 4p.  
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> From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>>  
> Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2015 12:40 PM  
> To: Sutter, John  
> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?  
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> Hey John - we're getting closer to announcing this? I can send over an embargoed copy of the report if you'd like. For your planning - we'd probably need to make an interview happen next week. Let me know if you'd like to jump on the phone.  
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> Liz Purchia  
> U.S. EPA  
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> Sounds good, and thanks again for the offer on this. Being able to publish before the report's release would be great.  
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> Let me know what you all decide on timing. And I'd be interested in  
> the interview, of course. Thanks again -- John  
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> From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>>  
> Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2015 10:36 AM  
> To: Sutter, John  
> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?  
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> I think we could get you an advanced copy of the report before June 8. I'll see if I can get you an embargo of the executive summary sooner rather than later.

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> If we give you the report exclusively, I'd be open to you guys posting the morning or night before the report's release.

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> From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]

> Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2015 10:27 AM

> To: Purchia, Liz

> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Sounds great. So publishing on June 8? If I could get an embargoed copy in advance, maybe we could do the interview about it the first week in June? Would we be able to publish something in advance of the report's release, potentially?

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> From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>>

> Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2015 10:10 AM

> To: Sutter, John

> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Yes, the report looks at what the economic benefits to the U.S. would be if we are able to prevent the earth from warming 2 degrees. Or another way of looking at it is the economic costs of inaction. If we don't avoid the 2 degrees rise, here's what will happen.

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> It breaks the economic costs down by sector, for example, the impact on agriculture, water resources, electricity, health, etc. It also presents regional impacts.

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> The timing is a bit flexible, so we can work with you. Right now we were thinking the week of June 8.

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> From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]

> Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2015 9:56 AM

> To: Purchia, Liz

> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Hi Liz -

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> That sounds awesome, and the report is focused on 2 degrees of warming, right?

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> An interview with Gina McCarthy would definitely be of interest. What's the timing on this?

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> Best,

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> John

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> From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>>

> Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2015 8:42 AM

> To: Sutter, John

> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Hi John - I can likely give you this report under exclusively under embargo if you want to discuss setting

something up with you and EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy.

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> Let me know if you'd like to jump on the phone to discuss.

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> Liz

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> Liz Purchia

> Deputy Associate Administrator, Public Affairs U.S. Environmental

> Protection Agency

> Office: 202-564-6691

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> From: Purchia, Liz

> Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 11:56 AM

> To: 'Sutter, John'

> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> I'll check and see if we can get you something ahead of time.

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> From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]

> Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 11:51 AM

> To: Purchia, Liz

> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Oh that's great. Would love to talk about it. Do you know when you might have an embargoed report? Got several reader questions about economic benefits of doing something. Thanks!

> On Apr 20, 2015 11:38 AM, "Purchia, Liz" <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>> wrote:

> Great, sounds good.

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> Just for your planning purposes - in May we are planning to put out a report about the economic benefits and avoided costs if we are able to prevent the temperature from rising 2 degrees. Maybe that's something we can discuss down the line.

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> From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]

> Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 11:35 AM

> To: Purchia, Liz

> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Hi Liz - thanks for reaching out! Will be back in touch as we get our

> coverage plan set. Thanks also for sending those resources. Very

> helpful of you. Best, John

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> John D. Sutter

> Columnist, CNN

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> [tinyletter.com/jdsutter](http://tinyletter.com/jdsutter)<<http://tinyletter.com/jdsutter>>

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> From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>>

> Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 11:33 AM

> To: Sutter, John

> Subject: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Hi John - I work in the press office at EPA and we saw the video about the coverage you'll be doing on climate change this year and efforts to reduce carbon emissions to prevent temperature rises

<https://www.facebook.com/cnn/videos/10153569174821509/> .

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> Just thought I'd reach out to offer us as a resource. A lot of information about our work on climate change is available here: <http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/>. We also have the head of the EPA, Gina McCarthy, who can be a guest if you'd like to discuss that. As you probably know, EPA is leading the Administration's efforts on reducing our carbon emissions by implementing the president's Climate Action Plan

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2013/06/25/fact-sheet-president-obama-s-climate-action-plan>.

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> Let me know if you'd like to set up a time to chat or if I can provide you with more info.

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> Liz

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> Liz Purchia

> Deputy Associate Administrator, Public Affairs U.S. Environmental

> Protection Agency

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Message

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**From:** Dan Looker [Dan.Looker@meredith.com]  
**Sent:** 5/5/2015 4:46:12 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: June 1 RVO proposal & NAAJ

No problem. Thanks for getting back to me.

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**From:** <Purchia>, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 5, 2015 at 11:40 AM  
**To:** Dan Looker <Dan.Looker@meredith.com>  
**Subject:** RE: June 1 RVO proposal & NAAJ

Hi Dan – It was great to meet you too. For your planning, I'm sorry I don't have a more specific time to tell you right now. We're still figuring out timing on our end.

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**From:** Dan Looker [mailto:Dan.Looker@meredith.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 05, 2015 11:36 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** June 1 RVO proposal & NAAJ

Liz,

It was good to meet you at the NAAJ dinner last week. For my own planning purposes, I wondered if you could tell me what time of the day the EPA will release it's proposed RVO rules on June 1. The reason I ask is that I'm thinking about driving up to the Fuel Ethanol Workshop in Minneapolis for their June 2 meeting, but I don't want to be on the road when the RVOs are released.

Thanks very much.

—Dan Looker, Business Editor, Successful Farming and Agriculture.com 515/284-3872 or (mobile) Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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**From:** <Purchia>, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Date:** Thursday, July 10, 2014 at 1:47 PM  
**To:** Dan Looker <Dan.Looker@meredith.com>  
**Subject:** Re: Clean Water Proposal speech excerpts

Here's the full speech <http://go.usa.gov/Xmvh>

Liz Purchia

Direct 202-564-6691

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**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 10, 2014 12:03:30 PM  
**To:** [Dan.Looker@meredith.com](mailto:Dan.Looker@meredith.com)  
**Subject:** Fw: Clean Water Proposal speech excerpts

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**From:** Lee, Monica  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 10, 2014 11:40:31 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz; Ganesan, Arvin  
**Subject:** Clean Water Proposal speech excerpts

Under embargo until 1:00 PM ET, below are excerpts from the speech on the Clean Water Proposal as prepared from Administrator Gina McCarthy. The full text of the speech will be sent out and available around 2:00 PM ET.

### **SPEECH EXCERPTS**

Today, I'm here to talk about our Clean Water Act proposal, which was called for by the Supreme Court and by numerous state organizations, as well as numerous agriculture stakeholder groups. The aim of this proposal is clear: to clear up legal confusion and protect waters that are vital to our health, using sound science so that EPA can get its job done. It is crucial that we keep farmers and the ag industry as a whole doing what they do best: producing the food, fuel, and fiber that provide for our American way of life. The kinds of water bodies we'll protect provide drinking water to 1 in 3 Americans.

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We agree that people have a right to healthy land and clean water, so we have to make sure people understand that the practices we put in place are reasonable and consistently applied. That's how we make sure everyone is playing by the same rules, and that everyone can fully work their farms and ranches with confidence and certainty. All of us rely on science and accurate facts. Farmers need to know what to plant and when to plant it, and EPA needs to know how to protect our precious water resources for everyone to enjoy. So it's great to be here to talk facts and roll up our sleeves to work together to benefit producers and public health.

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Yesterday, we heard very clearly some of the concerns about our proposed rule. Let me clear up some of that: We heard fears that EPA is regulating groundwater. This is not true; groundwater regulations do and will fall under the purview of the states. EPA is not regulating all activities in floodplains, or every puddle, dry wash, and erosional feature. In fact, we're doing just the opposite. If cattle cross a wet field – let them. That's a normal farming practice, and all normal farming practices are still exempt. The bottom line is – if you didn't need a permit before this proposed rule, you won't need one when it's finalized.

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So let's talk about the interpretive rule and the 56 conservation practices that are good for production and good for water quality. That rule seems to have generated lots of confusion. So, why did we want to list out those 56 practices? Those 56 are an attempt to clear the path for slam dunk conservation practices. We did not narrow exemptions; those 56 are a subset to the existing exemptions for normal farming, ranching, and silviculture. No one should have to think twice about taking advantage of these conservation practices.

Some mistakenly think that this means additional federal standards with which to comply, but that's wrong. Conservation practice standards are not federal regulatory standards. They just provide a roadmap for producers to make sure they're squeezing all they can out of their practice.



New exemptions are “self-implementing,” which means no one needs to notify or get approval from EPA or the Corps. There’s no need to double check with anyone at any time. I’m sure farmers agree that the best discussion on jurisdictional determinations is one that never needs to happen. We added 56 exemptions because we want to boost conservation without boosting bureaucracy. Is the interpretive rule the best way to do that? Let’s figure that out together. I am about outcomes, not process.

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**From:** Chin, Anika [Anika.Chin@turner.com]  
**Sent:** 6/19/2015 4:40:09 PM  
**To:** Sutter, John [John.Sutter@turner.com]; Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi Liz! Nice to meet you via email! This should be a really great chat.

And John -- yes, that's exactly the process! We'll just need to confirm it's verified/public.

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**From:** Sutter, John  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 12:36 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz; Chin, Anika  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

+ Anika from our social team.

Anika, meet Liz from the EPA.

I believe the administrator would just log into facebook as herself (assuming she has a public/verified page right?). We would kick it off, and get people to ask questions. She'd just respond as they come in.

I'll be there too to help moderate a bit.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 12:01 PM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Ok, that should work. How would we figure out logistics?

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**From:** Sutter, John [mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 11:49 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Excellent, thanks!

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 11:48 AM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

I think w may be able to make the 1pm work on Tuesday. I'm just confirming with our scheduling office.

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**From:** Sutter, John [mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 11:04 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Could the administrator do a FB chat at 1pm ET on Tuesday? We could host it on the CNN Facebook page then. Likely would last 30 min. Could do 2pm ET if that's better. Early afternoon is usually best for pick-up on chats.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 9:13 AM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Also, please don't share until Monday, but here is video you can include with your story if you'd like  
<https://youtu.be/IzONKA1yuo>

Do you want to do the FB chat? If so, I just need to get our digital folks looped in.

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**From:** Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 9:12 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Thank you, Liz!

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 8:43 AM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi John — Here's the draft report under embargo until your story lifts at 9am Monday.

[https://www.dropbox.com/s/drbdxdtzn6xhy/CIRA%20Report\\_Embargoed.pdf?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/s/drbdxdtzn6xhy/CIRA%20Report_Embargoed.pdf?dl=0)

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**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 18, 2015 11:27 AM  
**To:** 'Sutter, John'  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Thanks John. Should be able to get you a dropbox later today

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**From:** Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 18, 2015 11:13 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi Liz! Sounds good - we'll publish Monday at 9am ET then.  
Can you send me the full report? I think all I have is the fact sheet.  
Thanks again for setting this up. Really a pleasure to talk with the administrator. Enjoyed it.  
And will let you know about a FB chat. Thanks for following up there, too

John

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 18, 2015 11:06 AM

**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi John — Following up.

We're good with you lifting the embargo for the story at 9AM on Monday. That will be about an hour before we make the announcement.

Let me know if you're interested in the FB chat.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 17, 2015 3:02 PM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Hi John — Just wanted to check back and see if you need anything for your story? The Administrator really enjoyed talking with you.

I think we still want to discuss when this posts, whether it's Sunday night or Monday morning.

Also, are you interested in still doing a Facebook chat? If so, we'll just need to figure out schedules here, but I think it would be a great thing to do if we can.

It looks like CNN New Day is interested in having the Administrator on live on Monday to talk about the report.

Liz

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**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2015 4:00 PM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Calling in 2

Liz Purchia  
U.S. EPA  
202-564-6691

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On Jun 16, 2015, at 12:17 PM, Sutter, John <[John.Sutter@turner.com](mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com)> wrote:  
Sounds good! Looking forward to it.

Sent from a phone

On Jun 16, 2015, at 11:53 AM, Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)> wrote:

Great, we'll call that.

And so you know, I've told the Administrator about the series you're working on and she has seen some of your work. She'll plan to talk about this report, answer questions about the findings, what this means for our work going forward and how it fits into international discussions going on.

Is there anything more specific you'd like to ask her that I should let her know about?

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**From:** Sutter, John [mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2015 11:50 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

I think my cell will be best: [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)] Thanks and talk soon!

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2015 8:36 AM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Great. Thanks!

Liz Purchia  
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[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

On Jun 16, 2015, at 8:32 AM, Sutter, John <John.Sutter@turner.com> wrote:  
Morning! Will get back to you very shortly with the number! And I like the idea of a FB chat. Will check with our social team about timing etc. Thanks again!  
On Jun 16, 2015 8:15 AM, "Purchia, Liz" <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:  
Hi John - just wanted to see what number we should call this afternoon?

Liz Purchia  
U.S. EPA  
202-564-6691

[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

On Jun 15, 2015, at 4:20 PM, Purchia, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:

Looking forward to tomorrow. Any interest in potentially doing a 2 degrees Facebook chat with us on the day of the announcement, June 22?

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Sutter, John [mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 11, 2015 12:29 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Sounds good! Thanks again.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 11, 2015 12:22 PM  
**To:** Sutter, John  
**Subject:** RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Yeah that works. We can figure it out Tuesday morning.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Sutter, John [mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com]

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2015 12:21 PM  
To: Purchia, Liz  
Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

I may go to an edit room so I can record the call for transcription purposes. Can I call you? Not sure which one will be open then. Or I can ping you Tuesday morning with the number I'll use.

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From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2015 12:19 PM  
To: Sutter, John  
Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Great. We'll call you. What's the best number?

-----Original Message-----

From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2015 12:17 PM  
To: Purchia, Liz  
Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

That's perfect. What number should I call? Thanks!

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From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2015 12:15 PM  
To: Sutter, John  
Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Looks like we could make this work at 4pm on Tuesday next week. Does that work for you?

-----Original Message-----

From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2015 4:24 PM  
To: Purchia, Liz  
Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

thanks!

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From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2015 3:48 PM  
To: Sutter, John  
Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

Sure that works

-----Original Message-----

From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2015 3:42 PM  
To: Purchia, Liz  
Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

This training session is running long. Can I give you a ring tomorrow morning? Also will give me time to read over the report first.

Sent from a phone

> On Jun 9, 2015, at 3:22 PM, Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)> wrote:

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> Hey John - Under embargo, for you only, attached is a draft fact sheet on the study.

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> I'll call you around 4:15.

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> Liz

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> From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]

> Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2015 1:08 PM

> To: Purchia, Liz

> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> thanks! might be 4:15.

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> From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>>

> Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2015 1:05 PM

> To: Sutter, John

> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Great. I will send over and try to call you around 4 at the 404 number below.

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> Hi Liz - would love to look at the embargo and let's try to set the interview for next week on the phone. Let me know what day might work for you. Out of the office at the moment but will be at my desk around 4p.

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> From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>>

> Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2015 12:40 PM

> To: Sutter, John

> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Hey John - we're getting closer to announcing this? I can send over an embargoed copy of the report if you'd like. For your planning - we'd probably need to make an interview happen next week. Let me know if you'd like to jump on the phone.

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> On May 5, 2015, at 10:45 AM, Sutter, John <[John.Sutter@turner.com](mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com)<<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>>> wrote:

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> Sounds good, and thanks again for the offer on this. Being able to publish before the report's release would be great.

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> Let me know what you all decide on timing. And I'd be interested in

> the interview, of course. Thanks again -- John

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> From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>>

> Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2015 10:36 AM

> To: Sutter, John

> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]

> Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2015 10:27 AM

> To: Purchia, Liz

> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Sounds great. So publishing on June 8? If I could get an embargoed copy in advance, maybe we could do the interview about it the first week in June? Would we be able to publish something in advance of the report's release, potentially?

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> From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>>

> Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2015 10:10 AM

> To: Sutter, John

> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Yes, the report looks at what the economic benefits to the U.S. would be if we are able to prevent the earth from warming 2 degrees. Or another way of looking at it is the economic costs of inaction. If we don't avoid the 2 degrees rise, here's what will happen.

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> It breaks the economic costs down by sector, for example, the impact on agriculture, water resources, electricity, health, etc. It also presents regional impacts.

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> The timing is a bit flexible, so we can work with you. Right now we were thinking the week of June 8.

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> From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]

> Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2015 9:56 AM

> To: Purchia, Liz

> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?

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> Hi Liz -

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> That sounds awesome, and the report is focused on 2 degrees of warming, right?

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> An interview with Gina McCarthy would definitely be of interest. What's the timing on this?

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> Best,



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> John  
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> From: Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>>  
> Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2015 8:42 AM  
> To: Sutter, John  
> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?  
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> Hi John - I can likely give you this report under exclusively under embargo if you want to discuss setting something up with you and EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy.  
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> Let me know if you'd like to jump on the phone to discuss.  
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> Liz  
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> Liz Purchia  
> Deputy Associate Administrator, Public Affairs U.S. Environmental  
> Protection Agency  
> Office: 202-564-6691  
> Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)  
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>  
> From: Purchia, Liz  
> Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 11:56 AM  
> To: 'Sutter, John'  
> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?  
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> I'll check and see if we can get you something ahead of time.  
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> From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
> Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 11:51 AM  
> To: Purchia, Liz  
> Subject: RE: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?  
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>  
> Oh that's great. Would love to talk about it. Do you know when you might have an embargoed report? Got several reader questions about economic benefits of doing something. Thanks!  
> On Apr 20, 2015 11:38 AM, "Purchia, Liz" <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)<<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>>> wrote:  
> Great, sounds good.  
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> Just for your planning purposes - in May we are planning to put out a report about the economic benefits and avoided costs if we are able to prevent the temperature from rising 2 degrees. Maybe that's something we can discuss down the line.  
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> From: Sutter, John [<mailto:John.Sutter@turner.com>]  
> Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 11:35 AM  
> To: Purchia, Liz  
> Subject: Re: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?  
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>  
> Hi Liz - thanks for reaching out! Will be back in touch as we get our  
> coverage plan set. Thanks also for sending those resources. Very  
> helpful of you. Best, John  
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> John D. Sutter  
> Columnist, CNN  
> +1 404-827-4564  
> twitter, skype, etc: jdsutter  
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> Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 11:33 AM  
> To: Sutter, John  
> Subject: EPA help with 2 degrees stories?  
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> Hi John - I work in the press office at EPA and we saw the video about the coverage you'll be doing on climate change this year and efforts to reduce carbon emissions to prevent temperature rises  
> <https://www.facebook.com/cnn/videos/10153569174821509/> .  
>  
> Just thought I'd reach out to offer us as a resource. A lot of information about our work on climate change is available here: <http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/>. We also have the head of the EPA, Gina McCarthy, who can be a guest if you'd like to discuss that. As you probably know, EPA is leading the Administration's efforts on reducing our carbon emissions by implementing the president's Climate Action Plan  
> <https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2013/06/25/fact-sheet-president-obama-s-climate-action-plan>.  
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> Let me know if you'd like to set up a time to chat or if I can provide you with more info.  
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> Protection Agency  
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Message

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**From:** liz purchia [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
**Sent:** 5/28/2015 7:25:14 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RFS USDA announcement

Investing 100 million to boost infrastructure for blender pumps.

Match partnership with states to do it

Want to give release to reporters tonight under embargo tonight.

Vilsack doing press call w press under embargo at 930 eastern w 6-7 reporters. Under embargo until 10:30.

AP- Mary Clare

Reuters

WSJ - Amy Harder

Politico- Bill Thomson

Cq roll call - Ellen Ferguson

NYT - Nixon

Bloomberg - Alan Bjerga

If asked on rfs will say can't look at it as a barrier. Here's what we've done and will do.

Message

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**From:** Michael Casey [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
**Sent:** 1/5/2015 9:06:27 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: the story

Are you back yet? Just wanted to get a sense of when we might see the methane announcement? Will it be this week? This month?

Mike

Michael Casey  
[CBSNews.com](http://CBSNews.com)  
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917-543-3881  
[michael.casey@cbsinteractive.com](mailto:michael.casey@cbsinteractive.com)  
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On Dec 19, 2014, at 3:10 PM, Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)> wrote:

Not sure what you mean?

Liz Purchia  
Press Secretary  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Direct: 202-564-6691  
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**From:** Michael Casey [mailto:[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 19, 2014 3:10 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: the story

Thanks for this but what is a site is in violation, can it continue operating under these rules?  
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[CBSNews.com](http://CBSNews.com)  
New York, New York  
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[michael.casey@cbsinteractive.com](mailto:michael.casey@cbsinteractive.com)  
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I think it's very important to include these points.

The rule addresses active plants, but we are going to work with states to provide technical assistance and guidance for facilities to handle coal ash at closed plants.

Under RCRA we can step in to force corrective measures if a legacy site poses imminent and substantial danger to human health or the environment. EPA also has authorities under the Clean Water Act where the mismanagement of coal ash may be causing the discharge of pollutants into surface waters. Under superfund, if groundwater, surface water or a dam breaks we'll work with state partners to deal with cleanup of substances that may endanger public health. This includes short-term removals to address releases or threatened releases requiring prompt response as well as long-term remedial response actions.

Liz Purchia  
Press Secretary  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
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**From:** Michael Casey [mailto:Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 19, 2014 3:05 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: the story

Is this fair:

The new rules fail to cover closed facilities and may allow others to keep operating in violation of the rules.

Michael Casey  
[CBSNews.com](http://CBSNews.com)  
New York, New York  
917-543-3881  
[michael.casey@cbsinteractive.com](mailto:michael.casey@cbsinteractive.com)  
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Here you go

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2:30PM TODAY-----

## **TODAY: EPA Administrator to Hold Press Call to Announce First National Regulations for Coal Ash Disposal**

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**WHEN:** Friday, December 19, 1:15 p.m. EST  
***\*This call is under an embargo until 2:30 p.m.\****

**WHO:** EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy  
EPA Assistant Administrator for the Office of Solid  
Waste and Emergency Response Mathy Stanislaus

**WHAT:** EPA Administrator to announce first national  
regulations for coal ash disposal

**HOW:** Members of the media interested in participating should  
dial in ten minutes prior to the beginning of the call. Please call Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)  
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) and give the conference ID number Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP). The name of  
the call is "Coal Ash Final Rule Press Call."

**\*\*\*THIS CALL IS FOR CREDENTIALLED NEWS MEDIA ONLY\*\*\***

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2:30PM TODAY-----

Release Date: 12/19/2014  
Contact Information: [press@epa.gov](mailto:press@epa.gov)

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# EPA Announces First National Regulations to Safeguard Disposal of Coal Ash

**Common sense, pragmatic rules to protect against structural failure, water and air pollution**

**WASHINGTON** – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) today announced the first national regulations to provide for the safe disposal of coal combustion residuals (coal ash) from coal-fired power plants. The final rule establishes safeguards to protect communities from coal ash impoundment failures, like the catastrophic Kingston, Tenn., spill in 2008, and establishes safeguards to prevent groundwater contamination and air emissions from coal ash disposal.

“EPA is taking action to protect our communities from the risk of mismanaged coal ash disposal units, and putting in place safeguards to help prevent the next catastrophic coal ash impoundment failure, which can cost millions for local businesses, communities and states,” said EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy. “These strong safeguards will protect drinking water from contamination, air from coal ash dust, and our communities from structural failures, while providing facilities a practical approach for implementation.”

EPA has been studying the effects of coal ash disposal on the environment and public health for many years. In the wake of the failure of the TVA coal ash pond in Kingston, TN, EPA began a multi-year effort to help ensure the safety of the nation’s coal ash disposal facilities, including assessing more than 500 facilities across the country. Improperly constructed or managed coal ash disposal units have been linked to nearly 160 cases of harm to surface or ground water or to the air. EPA carefully evaluated more than 450,000 comments on the proposed rule, testimony from eight public hearings, and information gathered from three notices soliciting comment on new data and analyses.

Improperly constructed or managed coal ash disposal units have resulted in the catastrophic failure of surface impoundments, damages to surface water, groundwater and the air. The first federal requirements for impoundments and landfills to address these risks include:

- The closure of surface impoundments and landfills that fail to meet engineering and structural standards and will no longer receive coal ash;
- Reducing the risk of catastrophic failure by requiring regular inspections of the structural safety of surface impoundments;

- Restrictions on the location of new surface impoundments and landfills so that they cannot be built in sensitive areas such as wetlands and earthquake zones;
- Protecting groundwater by requiring monitoring, immediate cleanup of contamination, and closure of unlined surface impoundments that are polluting groundwater;
- Protecting communities using fugitive dust controls to reduce windblown coal ash dust;
- Requiring liner barriers for new units and proper closure of surface impoundments and landfills that will no longer receive CCRs.

In response to comments received on the proposal, the final rule makes a number of changes by providing greater clarity on technical requirements for coal ash landfills and surface impoundments under Subtitle D of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), the nation's primary law for regulating solid waste.

Implementation of these technical requirements will be reported through comprehensive and regular disclosure to states, and communities to enable them to monitor and oversee these requirements. The rule requires that power plant owners and operators provide detailed information to citizens and states to fully understand how their communities may be impacted. The rule sets out new transparency requirements, including recordkeeping and reporting requirements, as well as the requirement for each facility to post specific information to a publicly-accessible website. This will provide the public with information such as annual groundwater monitoring results, and corrective action reports, coal ash fugitive dust control plans, and closure completion notifications.

This final rule also supports the responsible recycling of coal ash by distinguishing safe, beneficial use from disposal. In 2012, almost 40 percent of all coal ash produced was recycled (beneficially used), rather than disposed. Beneficial use of coal ash can produce positive environmental, economic and performance benefits such as reduced use of virgin resources, lower greenhouse gas emissions, reduced cost of coal ash disposal, and improved strength and durability of materials.

EPA is committed to working closely with our state partners on implementation of this rule. To ease implementation and harmonize the regulatory requirements for coal ash landfills and surface impoundments, EPA encourages states to adopt the federal minimum criteria, revise their Solid Waste Management Plans (SWMPs) and submit these revisions to EPA for approval. A revised and approved SWMP will signal EPA's opinion that the state SWMP meets the federal criteria.



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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Direct: 202-564-6691  
Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

-----Original Message-----

From: Michael Casey [mailto:Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
Sent: Friday, December 19, 2014 1:01 PM  
To: Purchia, Liz  
Subject: Re: the story

You know I didn't. I do get lots of EPA releases but didnt get that one.  
Maybe you could check to make sure I am on list for advisories Michael  
Casey [CBSNews.com](http://CBSNews.com) New York, New York  
917-543-3881  
michael.casey@cbsinteractive.com  
<http://indonesiamike.wordpress.com>

On Dec 19, 2014, at 11:36 AM, Purchia, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>  
wrote:

> We'll try to do that. Are you on our main press list? Did you get the  
advisory earlier?

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> Liz Purchia

> Press Secretary

> U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Michael Casey [mailto:Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

> Sent: Friday, December 19, 2014 11:13 AM

> To: Purchia, Liz

> Subject: Re: the story

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> Are we able to get anything for embargo ahead of the press call on the  
EPA ruling on coal ash?

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> Mike

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> Michael Casey  
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> New York, New York  
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> On Dec 18, 2014, at 9:07 AM, Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
wrote:  
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>> You too.  
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>> Off the record - Not sure bc it's not just an EPA announcement, other  
agencies are involved. It's the administration's strategy on methane that  
will be releasd.  
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>> Liz Purchia  
>> Press Secretary  
>> U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
>> Direct: 202-564-6691  
>> Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)  
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>> -----Original Message-----  
>> From: Michael Casey [<mailto:> Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
>> Sent: Thursday, December 18, 2014 9:06 AM  
>> To: Purchia, Liz  
>> Subject: Re: the story  
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>> Thanks. Have a great xmas and maybe we can reconnect after New  
Years. We are keen on the methane story. Do you think on background  
whether there is a chance I might be able to get details of the decision a  
day ahead of the release? I of course will report it with the rest of the  
herd but it might be nice to get something ahead of everyone.  
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>> Mike  
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>> Michael Casey  
>> [CBSNews.com](http://CBSNews.com)  
>> New York, New York  
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>> On Dec 18, 2014, at 9:04 AM, Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)>  
wrote:  
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>>> Yes  
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>>> Liz Purchia  
>>> Press Secretary  
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>>> Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)  
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>>> -----Original Message-----  
>>> From: Michael Casey [mailto:Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
>>> Sent: Thursday, December 18, 2014 9:03 AM  
>>> To: Purchia, Liz  
>>> Subject: Re: the story  
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>>> so at least until January if I have my holiday schedule correct?  
>>> Michael Casey  
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>>> On Dec 18, 2014, at 9:02 AM, Purchia, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>  
wrote:  
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>>>> Hey Mike - Yes, on background - We're going to hold until after the  
holidays.  
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>>>> To: Purchia, Liz  
>>>> Subject: Re: the story  
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>>>> Liz, you see the Hill story. for planning purposes and off the  
record, could we get confirmation that the methane decision will be put  
off until at least January.  
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wrote:  
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>>>>> That's great. Could we chat early next week? In NC for events  
today.  
>>>>> Liz Purchia  
>>>>> Direct 202-564-6691  
>>>>> Cell [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
>>>>>  
>>>>> From: Michael Casey [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
>>>>> Sent: Friday, December 12, 2014 10:27:48 AM  
>>>>> To: Purchia, Liz  
>>>>> Subject: Re: the story  
>>>>>  
>>>>> they put it out front which means millions of views each day. The  
sci/tech vertical can be a bit less action. I am planning a methane story  
for next week. is there EPA scientist or someone on the policy side who  
might be able to talk about why we care about methane and why the  
administration is going after it. My understanding is that we might hear  
something next week?  
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>>>>>> Sent: Friday, December 12, 2014 10:22:47 AM  
>>>>>> To: Purchia, Liz  
>>>>>> Subject: the story  
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>>>>>> Here is the story  
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**From:** Erica Martinson [EMartinson@politico.com]  
**Sent:** 12/19/2014 6:04:20 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: EMBARGOED UNTIL 2:30PM: EPA Announces First National Regulations to Safeguard Disposal of Coal Ash

Thanks so much!

Erica Martinson  
Energy & Environment Reporter  
**POLITICO**  
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@EricaMartinson

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**From:** Purchia, Liz

**Sent:** Friday, December 19, 2014 10:52 AM

**To:** Purchia, Liz

**Subject:** EMBARGOED UNTIL 2:30PM: EPA Administrator to Hold Press Call to Announce First National Regulations for Coal Ash Disposal

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EPA Assistant Administrator for the Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response Mathy Stanislaus

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Liz Purchia

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**From:** Ken Ward [kward@wvgazette.com]  
**Sent:** 12/19/2014 5:29:37 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: TODAY: EPA Administrator to Hold Call to Announce First National Regulations for Coal Ash Disposal

We should simply be able to report what is said at the time it is said ... EPA hasn't explained any reasons for why the embargo is needed. Embargoed talking points don't help. Embargoed actual information -- the rule -- would help.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz [mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 19, 2014 12:28 PM  
**To:** kward@wvgazette.com  
**Subject:** RE: TODAY: EPA Administrator to Hold Call to Announce First National Regulations for Coal Ash Disposal

We're making everything available to everyone at 2:30, media, stakeholders, public, etc.

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That's very helpful.

But again, I would ask that EPA just simply have a press call with no embargo. I don't see the reason for it in this situation.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz [mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 19, 2014 11:45 AM  
**To:** kward@wvgazette.com  
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What's the compelling reason for just doing the press call without an embargo ?

I can appreciate trying to give reporters more time to understand something -- but what is more helpful in that regard is having the rule in advance.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz [<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>]

**Sent:** Friday, December 19, 2014 10:57 AM

**To:** [kward@wvgazette.com](mailto:kward@wvgazette.com)

**Subject:** RE: TODAY: EPA Administrator to Hold Call to Announce First National Regulations for Coal Ash Disposal

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**To:** Purchia, Liz

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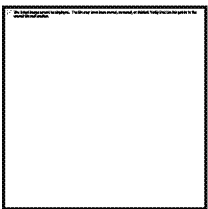
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**From:** Rachel Deitz [<mailto:deitz.rachel@epa.gov>]

**Sent:** Friday, December 19, 2014 10:45 AM

**To:** [kward@wvgazette.com](mailto:kward@wvgazette.com)

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**From:** Wheeler, Tim [twheeler@baltsun.com]  
**Sent:** 12/19/2014 4:36:16 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: TODAY: EPA Administrator to Hold Call to Announce First National Regulations for Coal Ash Disposal

Liz, George –

This seems like a disjointed release. Rachel Deitz has explained the regulations aren't getting posted online until 2:30, but I don't understand why they can't be ready at the time of the press call, or even a little before.

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**From:** Geof Koss [geofkoss@cqrollcall.com]  
**Sent:** 12/19/2014 3:52:54 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: EMBARGOED UNTIL 2:30PM: EPA Administrator to Hold Press Call to Announce First National Regulations for Coal Ash Disposal

Thx for the timing certainty :) happy holidays!

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 19, 2014, at 10:51 AM, Purchia, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:

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**Sent:** 10/8/2014 4:50:27 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: 1PM EDT: EPA Administrator Media Call to Release New Findings on Fuel Economy Trends

I'll be dialing in

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**Sent:** Wednesday, October 08, 2014 12:32 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** RE: 1PM EDT: EPA Administrator Media Call to Release New Findings on Fuel Economy Trends

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
October 8, 2014

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Under President Obama's leadership EPA and the Department of Transportation have implemented standards projected to double fuel economy by 2025 and cut vehicle greenhouse gas emissions by half.

The EPA estimates these standards will save American families more than \$8,000 in fuel costs per vehicle by 2025. Throughout the duration of the program, Americans will save \$1.7 trillion in fuel costs, use 12 billion fewer barrels of oil, and in 2025, reduce oil consumption by more than 2 million barrels a day – as much as half of the oil imported from OPEC every day.

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**Sent:** Wednesday, October 08, 2014 9:14 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** 1PM EDT: EPA Administrator Media Call to Release New Findings on Fuel Economy Trends

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Release Date: Oct. 8, 2014

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Do you have the numbers on the 2014 estimated fuel efficiency?

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**Sent:** 11/3/2014 3:13:39 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: For ME monday

I'll let you know. Maybe they'll let me in if I get there just before 1030. Two more stops...  
Gonna be a good week. :-P

> On Nov 3, 2014, at 9:56 AM, "Purchia, Liz" <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:

>  
> Ugh no fun. Not how you want to start your Monday.  
>  
> There isn't a livestream or a call-in, but we're going to do a call for Auto reporters at noon and I  
can ask folks to send you that dial-in if you'd like? It's with our technical staff.

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> Sent: Monday, November 03, 2014 9:51 AM  
> To: Purchia, Liz  
> Subject: Re: For ME monday

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> Yeah there was smoke. There's something in the tracks. I don't think I'll make the event. There's not a  
way to call in is there? Livestream?

>> On Nov 3, 2014, at 9:49 AM, "Purchia, Liz" <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:

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>> Oh no I heard about those delays  
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>> Thanks. Big help. I'm on a red line train that's being evacuated. :(

>>> On Nov 3, 2014, at 9:43 AM, "Purchia, Liz" <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:

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>>> November 3, 2014

>>> United States Reaches Settlement with Hyundai and Kia in Historic  
>>> Greenhouse Gas Enforcement Case Hyundai and Kia to pay record \$100  
>>> million penalty for selling vehicles that emit more greenhouse gases  
>>> than automakers certified to EPA

>>> Washington - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Department of Justice today  
announced an historic settlement with the automakers Hyundai and Kia that will resolve alleged Clean Air  
Act violations based on their sale of close to 1.2 million vehicles that will emit approximately 4.75  
million metric tons of greenhouse gases in excess of what the automakers certified to EPA.

>>> The automakers will pay a \$100 million civil penalty, the largest in Clean Air Act history, to  
resolve violations concerning the testing and certification of vehicles sold in America and spend  
approximately \$50 million on measures to prevent any future violations. Hyundai and Kia will also forfeit  
4.75 million greenhouse gas emission credits that the companies previously claimed, which are estimated  
to be worth more than \$200 million. Automakers earn greenhouse gas emissions credits for building



vehicles with lower emissions than required by law. These credits can be used to offset emissions from less fuel-efficient vehicle models or sold or traded to other automakers for the same purpose. The greenhouse gas emissions that the forfeited credits would have allowed are equal to the emissions from powering more than 433,000 homes for a year.

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>>> "Greenhouse gas emission laws protect the public from the dangers of climate change, and today's action reinforces EPA's commitment to see those laws through," said EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy. "Businesses that play by the rules shouldn't have to compete with those breaking the law. This settlement upholds the integrity of the nation's fuel economy and greenhouse gas programs and supports all Americans who want to save fuel costs and reduce their environmental impact."

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>>> "This unprecedented resolution with Hyundai and Kia underscores the Justice Department's firm commitment to safeguarding American consumers, ensuring fairness in every marketplace, protecting the environment, and relentlessly pursuing companies that make misrepresentations and violate the law," said Attorney General Eric Holder. "This type of conduct quite simply will not be tolerated. And the Justice Department will never rest or waver in our determination to take action against any company that engages in such activities - whenever and wherever they are uncovered."

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>>> The complaint was filed today jointly by the United States and the California Air Resources Board in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. It alleges that the car companies sold close to 1.2 million cars and SUVs from model years 2012 and 2013 whose design specifications did not conform to the specifications the companies certified to EPA, which led to the misstatements of greenhouse gas emissions. These allegations concern the Hyundai Accent, Elantra, Veloster and Santa Fe vehicles and the Kia Rio and Soul vehicles.

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>>> Liz Purchia

>>> Press Secretary

>>> U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

>>> Direct: 202-564-6693

>>> Cell: [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

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>>> -----Original Message-----

>>> From: Alex Guillen [mailto:[aguillen@politico.com](mailto:aguillen@politico.com)]

>>> Sent: Sunday, November 02, 2014 3:01 PM

>>> To: Purchia, Liz; Erica Martinson

>>> Subject: RE: For ME monday

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>>> Thanks Liz! Can you share the news for Morning Energy, or embargoed for that time?

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>>> -----Original Message-----  
>>> From: Purchia, Liz [mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
>>> Sent: Sunday, November 02, 2014 2:59 PM  
>>> To: Alex Guillen; Erica Martinson  
>>> Subject: For ME monday  
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>>> Hey Guys - hope you're having a good weekend. It's so windy! For your planning purposes and for Monday's ME, below is a media advisory on an event with the Administrator and AG Holder.  
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>>> EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy and Attorney General Eric Holder to  
>>> Announce Historic Clean Air Act Settlement  
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>>> WASHINGTON - Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Gina McCarthy and Attorney General Eric Holder will hold a press conference TODAY, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2014, at 10:30 a.m. EST to announce an historic Clean Air Act settlement.  
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>>> WHO:  
>>> Attorney General Eric Holder  
>>> EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy  
>>> Acting Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural  
>>> Resources Division Sam Hirsch Assistant Administrator for EPA's  
>>> Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Cynthia Giles  
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>>> WHAT: To announce significant Greenhouse gas enforcement case  
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>>> WHEN: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2014  
>>> 10:30 a.m. EST  
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>>> WHERE: Department of Justice  
>>> 7th Floor Press Conference Room  
>>> 950 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.  
>>> Washington, D.C.  
>>> OPEN PRESS  
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Message

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**From:** Geof Koss [geofkoss@cqrollcall.com]  
**Sent:** 11/3/2014 2:50:17 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: MEDIA ALERT: EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy and Attorney General Eric Holder to Announce Historic Clean Air Act Settlement  
**Attachments:** removed.txt

thanks much Liz!

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**From:** Purchia, Liz [mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 03, 2014 9:44 AM  
**To:** Geof Koss  
**Subject:** RE: MEDIA ALERT: EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy and Attorney General Eric Holder to Announce Historic Clean Air Act Settlement

Here's the release. This is under embargo until 10:30 AM

CONTACT  
Christie St. Clair  
[stclair.christie@epa.gov](mailto:stclair.christie@epa.gov)  
202-564-2880

November 3, 2014

## United States Reaches Settlement with Hyundai and Kia in Historic Greenhouse Gas Enforcement Case

*Hyundai and Kia to pay record \$100 million penalty for selling vehicles that emit more greenhouse gases than automakers certified to EPA*

Washington — The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Department of Justice today announced an historic settlement with the automakers Hyundai and Kia that will resolve alleged Clean Air Act violations based on their sale of close to 1.2 million vehicles that will emit approximately 4.75 million metric tons of greenhouse gases in excess of what the automakers certified to EPA.

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"Greenhouse gas emission laws protect the public from the dangers of climate change, and today's action reinforces EPA's commitment to see those laws through," said EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy. "Businesses that play by the rules shouldn't have to compete with those breaking the law. This settlement upholds the integrity of the nation's fuel economy and greenhouse gas programs and supports all Americans who want to save fuel costs and reduce their environmental impact."

"This unprecedented resolution with Hyundai and Kia underscores the Justice Department's firm commitment to safeguarding American consumers, ensuring fairness in every marketplace, protecting the environment, and relentlessly pursuing companies that make misrepresentations and violate the law," said Attorney General Eric Holder. "This type of

conduct quite simply will not be tolerated. And the Justice Department will never rest or waver in our determination to take action against any company that engages in such activities – whenever and wherever they are uncovered.”

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**From:** Geof Koss [mailto:geofkoss@cqrollcall.com]

**Sent:** Monday, November 03, 2014 8:19 AM

**To:** Purchia, Liz

**Subject:** Fwd: MEDIA ALERT: EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy and Attorney General Eric Holder to Announce Historic Clean Air Act Settlement

Hey Liz, any more info on this u can share on embargo? Geof

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** U.S. EPA <[usaepa@service.govdelivery.com](mailto:usaepa@service.govdelivery.com)>  
**Date:** November 3, 2014 at 7:33:38 AM EST  
**To:** <[geofkoss@cqrollcall.com](mailto:geofkoss@cqrollcall.com)>  
**Subject:** **MEDIA ALERT: EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy and Attorney General Eric Holder to Announce Historic Clean Air Act Settlement**  
**Reply-To:** <[usaepa@service.govdelivery.com](mailto:usaepa@service.govdelivery.com)>

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Nov. 3, 2014

# **EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy and Attorney General Eric Holder to Announce Historic Clean Air Act Settlement**

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**WHO:**

Attorney General Eric Holder  
EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy  
Acting Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division Sam Hirsch  
Assistant Administrator for EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Cynthia Giles

**WHAT:**

To announce significant greenhouse gas enforcement case

**WHEN:**  
**TODAY, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2014**  
**10:30 a.m. EST**

**WHERE:**  
Department of Justice  
7<sup>th</sup> Floor Press Conference Room  
950 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

## **OPEN PRESS**

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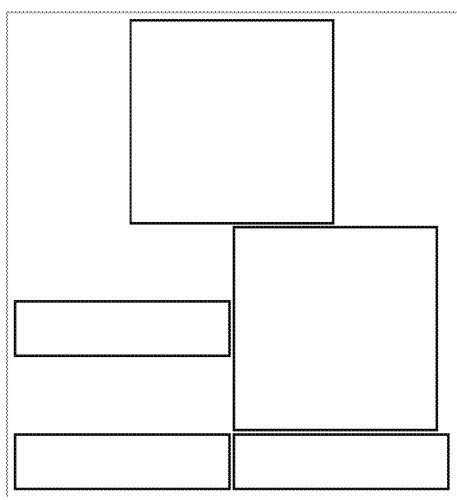
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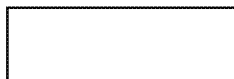


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**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: question re McCarthy Holder announcement

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Press Secretary

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Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

**From:** Clare Foran [<mailto:cforan@nationaljournal.com>]

**Sent:** Monday, November 03, 2014 9:37 AM

**To:** Purchia, Liz

**Subject:** question re McCarthy Holder announcement

Hi Liz,

Hope you're doing well. We aren't sure if we're going to be able to send anyone to the event this morning at 10:30 AM, can you tell me off the record or for embargo anything about what the substance of the announcement will be? Thanks!

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Clare Foran

Energy Reporter

National Journal

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**From:** Michael Casey [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
**Sent:** 12/19/2014 7:27:47 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: the story

thanks  
Michael Casey  
[CBSNews.com](http://CBSNews.com)  
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On Dec 19, 2014, at 1:02 PM, Purchia, Liz <[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov](mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov)> wrote:

Here you go

-----EMBARGOED UNTIL 2:30PM TODAY-----  
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## **TODAY: EPA Administrator to Hold Press Call to Announce First National Regulations for Coal Ash Disposal**

**WASHINGTON** – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Gina McCarthy will announce the first national regulations to provide for the safe disposal of coal ash from coal-fired power plants today on a press call. The pragmatic, commonsense final rule protects communities from coal ash impoundment failures and establishes safeguards to prevent groundwater contamination and air emissions from coal ash disposal.

**WHEN:** Friday, December 19, 1:15 p.m. EST  
**\*This call is under an embargo until 2:30 p.m.**

**WHO:** EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy  
EPA Assistant Administrator for the Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response Mathy Stanislaus

**WHAT:** EPA Administrator to announce first national regulations for coal ash disposal

**HOW:** Members of the media interested in participating should dial in ten minutes prior to the beginning of the call. Please call [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)] and give the conference ID number [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]. The name of the call is "Coal Ash Final Rule Press Call."

\*\*\*THIS CALL IS FOR CREDENTIALLED NEWS MEDIA ONLY\*\*\*

-----EMBARGOED UNTIL 2:30PM TODAY-----

Release Date: 12/19/2014

Contact Information: [press@epa.gov](mailto:press@epa.gov)

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## EPA Announces First National Regulations to Safeguard Disposal of Coal Ash

**Common sense, pragmatic rules to protect against structural failure, water and air pollution**

**WASHINGTON** – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) today announced the first national regulations to provide for the safe disposal of coal combustion residuals (coal ash) from coal-fired power plants. The final rule establishes safeguards to protect communities from coal ash impoundment failures, like the catastrophic Kingston, Tenn., spill in 2008, and establishes safeguards to prevent groundwater contamination and air emissions from coal ash disposal.

"EPA is taking action to protect our communities from the risk of mismanaged coal ash disposal units, and putting in place safeguards to help prevent the next catastrophic coal ash impoundment failure, which can cost millions for local businesses, communities and states," said EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy.

"These strong safeguards will protect drinking water from contamination, air from coal ash dust, and our communities from structural failures, while providing facilities a practical approach for implementation."

EPA has been studying the effects of coal ash disposal on the environment and public health for many years. In the wake of the failure of the TVA coal ash pond in Kingston, TN, EPA began a multi-year effort to help ensure the safety of the nation's coal ash disposal facilities, including assessing more than 500 facilities across the country. Improperly constructed or managed coal ash disposal units have been linked to nearly 160 cases of harm to surface or ground water or to the air. EPA carefully evaluated more than 450,000 comments on the proposed rule, testimony from eight public hearings, and information gathered from three notices soliciting comment on new data and analyses.

Improperly constructed or managed coal ash disposal units have resulted in the catastrophic failure of surface impoundments, damages to surface water, groundwater and the air. The first federal requirements for impoundments and landfills to address these risks include:

- The closure of surface impoundments and landfills that fail to meet engineering and structural standards and will no longer receive coal ash;
- Reducing the risk of catastrophic failure by requiring regular inspections of the structural safety of surface impoundments;
- Restrictions on the location of new surface impoundments and landfills so that they cannot be built in sensitive areas such as wetlands and earthquake zones;

- Protecting groundwater by requiring monitoring, immediate cleanup of contamination, and closure of unlined surface impoundments that are polluting groundwater;
- Protecting communities using fugitive dust controls to reduce windblown coal ash dust;
- Requiring liner barriers for new units and proper closure of surface impoundments and landfills that will no longer receive CCRs.

In response to comments received on the proposal, the final rule makes a number of changes by providing greater clarity on technical requirements for coal ash landfills and surface impoundments under Subtitle D of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), the nation's primary law for regulating solid waste.

Implementation of these technical requirements will be reported through comprehensive and regular disclosure to states, and communities to enable them to monitor and oversee these requirements. The rule requires that power plant owners and operators provide detailed information to citizens and states to fully understand how their communities may be impacted. The rule sets out new transparency requirements, including recordkeeping and reporting requirements, as well as the requirement for each facility to post specific information to a publicly-accessible website. This will provide the public with information such as annual groundwater monitoring results, and corrective action reports, coal ash fugitive dust control plans, and closure completion notifications.

This final rule also supports the responsible recycling of coal ash by distinguishing safe, beneficial use from disposal. In 2012, almost 40 percent of all coal ash produced was recycled (beneficially used), rather than disposed. Beneficial use of coal ash can produce positive environmental, economic and performance benefits such as reduced use of virgin resources, lower greenhouse gas emissions, reduced cost of coal ash disposal, and improved strength and durability of materials.

EPA is committed to working closely with our state partners on implementation of this rule. To ease implementation and harmonize the regulatory requirements for coal ash landfills and surface impoundments, EPA encourages states to adopt the federal minimum criteria, revise their Solid Waste Management Plans (SWMPs) and submit these revisions to EPA for approval. A revised and approved SMWP will signal EPA's opinion that the state SWMP meets the federal criteria.

-----EMBARGOED UNTIL 2:30PM TODAY-----

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-----Original Message-----

From: Michael Casey [[mailto:](#) Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
Sent: Friday, December 19, 2014 1:01 PM  
To: Purchia, Liz  
Subject: Re: the story

You know I didn't. I do get lots of EPA releases but didnt get that one. Maybe you could check to make sure I am on list for advisories Michael Casey [CBSNews.com](http://CBSNews.com) New York, New York  
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On Dec 19, 2014, at 11:36 AM, Purchia, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:

> We'll try to do that. Are you on our main press list? Did you get the advisory earlierer?  
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> Liz Purchia  
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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Michael Casey [mailto:Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
> Sent: Friday, December 19, 2014 11:13 AM  
> To: Purchia, Liz  
> Subject: Re: the story  
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> Are we able to get anything for embargo ahead of the press call on the EPA ruling on coal ash?  
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> Mike  
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> On Dec 18, 2014, at 9:07 AM, Purchia, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:  
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>> You too.  
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>> Off the record - Not sure bc it's not just an EPA announcement, other agencies are involved. It's the  
administration's strategy on methane that will be releasd.  
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>> Liz Purchia  
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>> -----Original Message-----

>> From: Michael Casey [mailto:Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
>> Sent: Thursday, December 18, 2014 9:06 AM  
>> To: Purchia, Liz  
>> Subject: Re: the story  
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>> Thanks. Have a great xmas and maybe we can reconnect after New Years. We are keen on the methane story. Do you think on background whether there is a chance I might be able to get details of the decision a day ahead of the release? I of course will report it with the rest of the herd but it might be nice to get something ahead of everyone.  
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>>> Sent: Thursday, December 18, 2014 9:03 AM  
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>>> so at least until January if I have my holiday schedule correct?  
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>>>> Hey Mike - Yes, on background - We're going to hold until after the holidays.  
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>>>> From: Michael Casey [mailto:Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]  
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>>>> To: Purchia, Liz  
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>>>> Liz, you see the Hill story. for planning purposes and off the record, could we get confirmation that  
the methane decision will be put off until at least January.  
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>>>>> they put it out front which means millions of views each day. The sci/tech vertical can be a bit less  
action. I am planning a methane story for next week. is there EPA scientist or someone on the policy side  
who might be able to talk about why we care about methane and why the administration is going after  
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**Sent:** 12/19/2014 6:58:53 PM  
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**Subject:** Re: EMBARGOED UNTIL 2:30PM: EPA Announces First National Regulations to Safeguard Disposal of Coal Ash

I didn't. I had a source briefed before the call

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EPA Announces First National Regulations to Safeguard Disposal of Coal Ash Common sense, pragmatic rules to protect against structural failure, water and air pollution

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"EPA is taking action to protect our communities from the risk of mismanaged coal ash disposal units, and putting in place safeguards to help prevent the next catastrophic coal ash impoundment failure, which can cost millions for local businesses, communities and states," said EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy. "These strong safeguards will protect drinking water from contamination, air from coal ash dust, and our communities from structural failures, while providing facilities a practical approach for implementation."

EPA has been studying the effects of coal ash disposal on the environment and public health for many years. In the wake of the failure of the TVA coal ash pond in Kingston, TN, EPA began a multi-year effort to help ensure the safety of the nation's coal ash disposal facilities, including assessing more than 500 facilities across the country. Improperly constructed or managed coal ash disposal units have been linked to nearly 160 cases of harm to surface or ground water or to the air. EPA carefully evaluated more than 450,000 comments on the proposed rule, testimony from eight public hearings, and information gathered from three notices soliciting comment on new data and analyses.

Improperly constructed or managed coal ash disposal units have resulted in the catastrophic failure of surface impoundments, damages to surface water, groundwater and the air. The first federal requirements for impoundments and landfills to address these risks include:

- \* The closure of surface impoundments and landfills that fail to meet engineering and structural standards and will no longer receive coal ash;
- \* Reducing the risk of catastrophic failure by requiring regular inspections of the structural safety of surface impoundments;
- \* Restrictions on the location of new surface impoundments and landfills so that they cannot be built in sensitive areas such as wetlands and earthquake zones;
- \* Protecting groundwater by requiring monitoring, immediate cleanup of contamination, and closure of unlined surface impoundments that are polluting groundwater;
- \* Protecting communities using fugitive dust controls to reduce windblown coal ash dust;
- \* Requiring liner barriers for new units and proper closure of surface impoundments and landfills that will no longer receive CCRs.

In response to comments received on the proposal, the final rule makes a number of changes by providing greater clarity on technical requirements for coal ash landfills and surface impoundments under Subtitle D of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), the nation's primary law for regulating solid waste.

Implementation of these technical requirements will be reported through comprehensive and regular disclosure to states, and communities to enable them to monitor and oversee these requirements. The rule requires that power plant owners and operators provide detailed information to citizens and states to fully understand how their communities may be impacted. The rule sets out new transparency requirements, including recordkeeping and reporting requirements, as well as the requirement for each facility to post specific information to a publicly-accessible website. This will provide the public with information such as annual groundwater monitoring results, and corrective action reports, coal ash fugitive dust control plans, and closure completion notifications.

This final rule also supports the responsible recycling of coal ash by distinguishing safe, beneficial use from disposal. In 2012, almost 40 percent of all coal ash produced was recycled (beneficially used), rather than disposed. Beneficial use of coal ash can produce positive environmental, economic and performance benefits such as reduced use of virgin resources, lower greenhouse gas emissions, reduced cost of coal ash disposal, and improved strength and durability of materials.

EPA is committed to working closely with our state partners on implementation of this rule. To ease implementation and harmonize the regulatory requirements for coal ash landfills and surface impoundments, EPA encourages states to adopt the federal minimum criteria, revise their Solid Waste Management Plans (SWMPs) and submit these revisions to EPA for approval. A revised and approved SWMP will signal EPA's opinion that the state SWMP meets the federal criteria.

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TODAY: EPA Administrator to Hold Press Call to Announce First National Regulations for Coal Ash Disposal

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WHEN: Friday, December 19, 1:15 p.m. EST  
\*This call is under an embargo until 2:30 p.m.

WHO: EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy  
EPA Assistant Administrator for the Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response Mathy Stanislaus

WHAT: EPA Administrator to announce first national regulations for coal ash disposal

HOW: Members of the media interested in participating should dial in ten minutes prior to the beginning of the call. Please call [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)] and give the conference ID number [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]. The name of the call is "Coal Ash Final Rule Press Call".

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**From:** Corbin Hiar [cwhiar@snl.com]  
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**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Fw: 10AM Embargo: EPA McCarthy Speech on Economics of Climate Change

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10 a.m. EDT

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**WHAT:** Keynote speech on the economics for acting on climate

**WHERE:** RFF First Floor Conference Center  
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We want to raise the common denominator, so states that *can* do more learn from states that *are* doing more. Our plan is not a one-size-fits-all prescription, it boosts progress already underway in companies, city halls, and state capitals across the nation.

For years, States in the Northeast have teamed up in a market based program to curb greenhouse gases. At the same time, they've enjoyed some of the nation's strongest economic growth. My home state of Massachusetts cut emissions by 40 percent, while their economy grew 7 percent. Cities and states acting on climate are not slowing down, they're speeding up. And according to a new report from the Carbon Disclosure Project, major companies like Delta, Google and Disney use an internal carbon price in their business decisions. Why? Because investors and CEO's see the cost of climate change, and the value of taking action.

We know a global problem needs a global solution. Although we can't act for other nations, when the United States of America leads, other nations follow. We set the bar for solutions. We set the pace for progress. Years ago, it was American chemical companies like DuPont and Honeywell that innovated safer chemicals to replace the ones destroying the ozone layer, and sold those solutions to the rest of the world. And President Obama just convened a group of those companies at the White House last week, to acknowledge their commitment to slash even more pollution, and to announce administrative action that will support and speed up those efforts.

When it comes to the American economy, Cutting pollution doesn't dull our competitive edge, it sharpens it. Thanks to Our fuel efficiency standards, the auto industry is once again a source of economic strength. The number of cars coming off American assembly lines, made by American workers, is the highest it's been in 12 years. From catalytic converters to smoke-stack scrubbers, America has a legacy of innovating the world's leading environmental technologies—accounting for more than 1.5 million jobs and \$44 billion in exports in 2008 alone. That's more than other big sectors like plastics and rubber products. If you want to talk return on investment, in over four decades, we've cut air pollution by 70 percent, while our GDP has tripled. The health and economic benefits of the 1990 Clean Air Act amendments by themselves outweigh the costs 30 to 1; Phil, I know you championed those amendments while you were in congress.

Today we have more cars, more jobs, more businesses, and *less* pollution. That's how we define progress, and how we build a low-carbon economy.

So it's sad to see a small but vocal group of critics hide behind the word "economy" to protect their own special-interests; when the truth is, climate action is in everyone's best interest. It's worrisome when we hear those critics say, quote, "...I'm not a scientist, but climate action is going to ruin the economy..." Well, as President Obama has said, those critics have one thing right: they are not scientists. They're not economists, either. But guess what, we've got some pretty good ones at EPA. And at NOAA. And at NASA. We trust them to put astronauts in space, and to tell us if the air is safe for our kids to play outside. These world-renowned scientists, medical professionals, and economists like you are calling for climate action.

Simply put: the economy isn't a reason to fear action, it's a reason to take it.

A report from The New Climate Economy shows that not only is global climate action affordable, but it could actually speed up economic growth. Another recent study shows that U.S. states that are still skeptical, like Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas, would actually see an annual net economic benefit of up to about \$16 billion dollars. That's billion with a "b."

A surefire way to damage our economy, is to neglect our need for a healthy environment to live, work, and play in. That's what's at stake. Back when we took action to heal the ozone layer, special interest critics manufactured doomsday predictions. They spun stories of supermarket refrigerators shutting off, and manufacturing plants shutting down. Guess what? None of it happened. If those scare tactics sound familiar, it's because they're the same ones we hear today on climate change.

Those same critics point fingers at other nations dragging their feet as an excuse for the United States to stand still. We don't hide behind the inaction of other nations as an excuse for mediocrity. We are not about stagnation, we are about innovation. And we don't bend to the false warnings of those who lack faith in American ingenuity, and toss aside the values that make America great. Can you imagine President Kennedy looking up at the moon and saying, "Nah...we'll just wait for someone else do it."

When we've faced challenges before, we have acted time and time again. And it's made our nation stronger. Because we acted, our kids don't grow up with acid rain or toxic leaded gas fumes. Because we acted, we eat safer foods, drink cleaner water, and breathe cleaner air.

Because we acted, nations came together, compelled by American leadership, to save our ozone layer and protect our people. Kofi Annan called that effort the "single most successful international agreement" of any kind. Our climate challenge is not just a responsibility we should accept. It's an opportunity we should seize, to retool and resurge with new technologies, new industries, and new jobs.

Let's remind ourselves what we're capable of. Let's embrace this defining moment of American leadership. We owe it to our kids to lead on climate change. Not just to leave them a cleaner, safer planet, but an opportunity-rich economy for generations to come. Thank you.

Liz Purchia

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For years, States in the Northeast have teamed up in a market based program to curb greenhouse gases. At the same time, they've enjoyed some of the nation's strongest economic growth. My home state of Massachusetts cut emissions by 40 percent, while their economy grew 7 percent. Cities and states acting on climate are not slowing down, they're speeding up. And according to a new report from the Carbon Disclosure Project, major companies like Delta, Google and Disney use an internal carbon price in their business decisions. Why? Because investors and CEO's see the cost of climate change, and the value of taking action.

We know a global problem needs a global solution. Although we can't act for other nations, when the United States of America leads, other nations follow. We set the bar for solutions. We set the pace for progress. Years ago, it was American chemical companies like DuPont and Honeywell that innovated safer chemicals to replace the ones destroying the ozone layer, and sold those solutions to the rest of the world. And President Obama just convened a group of those companies at the White House last week, to acknowledge their commitment to slash even more pollution, and to announce administrative action that will support and speed up those efforts.

When it comes to the American economy, Cutting pollution doesn't dull our competitive edge, it sharpens it. Thanks to Our fuel efficiency standards, the auto industry is once again a source of economic strength. The number of cars coming off American assembly lines, made by American workers, is the highest it's been in 12 years. From catalytic converters to smoke-stack scrubbers, America has a legacy of innovating the world's leading environmental technologies—accounting for more than 1.5 million jobs and \$44 billion in exports in 2008 alone. That's more than other big sectors like plastics and rubber products. If you want to talk return on investment, in over four decades, we've cut air pollution by 70 percent, while our GDP has tripled. The health and economic benefits of the 1990 Clean Air Act amendments by themselves outweigh the costs 30 to 1; Phil, I know you championed those amendments while you were in congress.

Today we have more cars, more jobs, more businesses, and *less* pollution. That's how we define progress, and how we build a low-carbon economy.

So it's sad to see a small but vocal group of critics hide behind the word "economy" to protect their own special-interests; when the truth is, climate action is in everyone's best interest. It's worrisome when we hear those critics say, quote, "...I'm not a scientist, but climate action is going to ruin the economy..." Well, as President Obama has said, those critics have one thing right: they are not scientists. They're not economists, either. But guess what, we've got some pretty good ones at EPA. And at NOAA. And at NASA. We trust them to put astronauts in space, and to tell us if the air is safe for our kids to play outside. These world-renowned scientists, medical professionals, and economists like you are calling for climate action.

Simply put: the economy isn't a reason to fear action, it's a reason to take it.

A report from The New Climate Economy shows that not only is global climate action affordable, but it could actually speed up economic growth. Another recent study shows that U.S. states that are still skeptical, like Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas, would actually see an annual net economic benefit of up to about \$16 billion dollars. That's billion with a "b."

A surefire way to damage our economy, is to neglect our need for a healthy environment to live, work, and play in. That's what's at stake. Back when we took action to heal the ozone layer, special interest critics manufactured doomsday predictions. They spun stories of supermarket refrigerators shutting off, and manufacturing plants shutting down. Guess what? None of it happened. If those scare tactics sound familiar, it's because they're the same ones we hear today on climate change.

Those same critics point fingers at other nations dragging their feet as an excuse for the United States to stand still. We don't hide behind the inaction of other nations as an excuse for mediocrity. We are not about stagnation, we are about innovation. And we don't bend to the false warnings of those who lack faith in American ingenuity, and toss aside the values that make America great. Can you imagine President Kennedy looking up at the moon and saying, "Nah...we'll just wait for someone else do it."

When we've faced challenges before, we have acted time and time again. And it's made our nation stronger. Because we acted, our kids don't grow up with acid rain or toxic leaded gas fumes. Because we acted, we eat safer foods, drink cleaner water, and breathe cleaner air.

Because we acted, nations came together, compelled by American leadership, to save our ozone layer and protect our people. Kofi Annan called that effort the "single most successful international agreement" of any kind. Our climate challenge is not just a responsibility we should accept. It's an opportunity we should seize, to retool and resurge with new technologies, new industries, and new jobs.

Let's remind ourselves what we're capable of. Let's embrace this defining moment of American leadership. We owe it to our kids to lead on climate change. Not just to leave them a cleaner, safer planet, but an opportunity-rich economy for generations to come. Thank you.

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Could you send Chris' full name/title? Missed it at the top of the call, thanks.

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Good afternoon – Reminder about the press call today at 1PM with Administrator McCarthy.

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Under embargo until 1PM - Please see below for the press release. The website and full report will be available at the link below at 1PM.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
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## U.S. Fuel Economy Reaches All-Time High

*Fuel economy gains for new vehicles continue under President*



# Obama's Clean Car Program

**WASHINGTON** – New vehicles achieved an all-time-high fuel economy in 2013, the Environmental Protection Agency announced today. Model year 2013 vehicles achieved an average of 24.1 miles per gallon (mpg) --- a 0.5 mpg increase over the previous year and an increase of nearly 5 mpg since 2004. Fuel economy has now increased in eight of the last nine years. The average carbon dioxide emissions are also at a record low of 369 grams per mile in model year 2013.

EPA's annual "Light-Duty Automotive Technology, Carbon Dioxide Emissions, and Fuel Economy Trends: 1975 through 2014" report tracks average fuel economy of new cars and SUVs sold in the United States. The report also ranks automakers' achievements in model year 2013.

Some additional top-line findings from the report:

- The recent fuel economy improvement is a result of automakers' rapid adoption of more efficient technologies such as gasoline direct injection engines, turbochargers, and advanced transmissions.
- Mazda vehicles averaged the highest fuel economy and lowest greenhouse gas emissions
- Nissan achieved the greatest improvement in average fuel economy and greenhouse gas reductions
- SUVs achieved the greatest improvement in all classes of new personal vehicles.

"Today's announcement points to the greatness of American ingenuity and the strength of our auto industry. Our report shows that today's vehicles are saving Americans money at the pump while emitting fewer greenhouse gasses. We are thrilled to see that manufacturers continue to innovate and are bringing technologies to improve fuel economy online even faster than anticipated," said EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy. "Consumers now have many more choices when shopping for vehicles with higher fuel economy and lower emissions compared to just five years ago. These choices reflect both a more diverse range of technology packages on conventional gasoline vehicles as well as more advanced technology and alternative-fueled vehicles."

Under President Obama's leadership EPA and the Department of Transportation have implemented standards projected to double fuel economy by 2025 and cut vehicle greenhouse gas emissions by half.

The EPA estimates these standards will save American families more than \$8,000 in fuel costs per vehicle by 2025. Throughout the duration of the program, Americans will save \$1.7 trillion in fuel costs, use 12 billion fewer barrels of oil, and in 2025, reduce oil consumption by more than 2 million barrels a day – as much as half of the oil imported from OPEC every day.

The new report is at: <http://epa.gov/otaq/fetrends.htm>

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**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 08, 2014 9:14 AM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** 1PM EDT: EPA Administrator Media Call to Release New Findings on Fuel Economy Trends

Good morning – Wanted to give you a heads up for your planning that at 1pm today, EPA Administrator McCarthy will be holding a media conference call to announce the 2014 fuel economy trends report. Dial-in info is below. I'll send over the press release before the call takes place.

Release Date: Oct. 8, 2014

Contact Information: [press@epa.gov](mailto:press@epa.gov)

# 1PM EDT: EPA Administrator Media Call to Release New Findings on Fuel Economy Trends

**WASHINGTON** – Today, at 1 p.m. EDT, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Gina McCarthy will hold a media conference call to announce the *2014 Light-Duty Automotive Technology, Carbon Dioxide Emissions and Fuel Economy Trends Report*. The report is the authoritative reference for carbon dioxide emissions, fuel economy and powertrain trends for new personal vehicles in the United States, providing a “progress report” on auto manufacturers’ efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and increase fuel economy. The report also compares automakers’ fuel economy performance in model year 2013.

Under President Obama’s leadership, the EPA and the Department of Transportation issued joint greenhouse gas and fuel economy standards for cars and light trucks for model years 2012-2025 that will effectively double fuel economy while saving families an estimated to be \$8,000 over the lifetime of a 2025 car or truck.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, October 8, 1 p.m. EDT

**WHO:** Gina McCarthy, EPA Administrator

**WHAT:** Press conference call on the EPA *2014 Fuel Economy Trends Report*

**HOW:** Media interested in participating should dial-in at 12:50 p.m. Participants will be asked to provide their name, affiliation and email. When the call opens up, the operator will provide instructions on how to ask a question. To participate, **please call** Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) and give the **conference ID number** Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP). The name of the call is “**2014 Fuel Economy Trends Call**.”

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Noted and understood.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz [mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 23, 2014 3:17 PM  
**To:** Volcovici, Valerie (Reuters News)  
**Subject:** RE: quick question

Thanks Valerie. I guess my issue was mainly that the headline and lede note lawmakers but don't specify republicans.

Liz

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**Sent:** Wednesday, July 23, 2014 3:00 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** RE: quick question

Hi Liz,

All of our spot stories have to be 500 words or less and I had to leave material out of the story. I know there were a lot of positive comments but I wanted to highlight the areas of friction, especially before the public comment period begins.

I think I am always fair in covering Gina and the EPA. And I'm sure I'll highlight the positive comments (as well as potential criticisms) at next week's public hearings.

All best,  
Valerie

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**From:** Purchia, Liz [mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 23, 2014 2:34 PM  
**To:** Volcovici, Valerie (Reuters News)  
**Subject:** RE: quick question

Hi Valerie - Just saw the updated version of your story. I think the headline and the lede leave out one word "republican" before lawmakers. The story does not include any comments at all from democrats on the committee. And it only cites a trade group that's critical of the rule. To be honest, this feels unfair.

I don't know if you were there but there were a lot of other positive comments about the rule and the way the story reads it's as if the whole hearing was a critique of the rule.

Will you consider making it a more balanced piece?

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**To:** Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** RE: quick question

Wonderful. Thanks Liz.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz [<mailto:Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>]  
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**To:** Volcovici, Valerie (Reuters News)  
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Yes, she talked about it a lot during a hearing with Issa but it wasn't specifically on that topic. Attached is her testimony if it's helpful. Under embargo until it gets posted which should be around 9:30 am.

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**Subject:** quick question

Hi Liz

Is tomorrow's EPW hearing the first one Adm McCarthy will speak at since the release of the CPP?

Thanks much,  
Valerie

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**From:** Koch, Wendy [wkoch@usatoday.com]  
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**To:** Purchia, Liz [Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: UNDER EMBARGO UNTIL 9AM - Speech Excerpts on the Clean Power Plan

Thanks, Liz. You've been so helpful. I appreciate it, Wendy.

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**From:** <Purchia>, Liz <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Date:** Monday, June 2, 2014 at 8:16 AM  
**To:** "Purchia, Liz" <Purchia.Liz@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** UNDER EMBARGO UNTIL 9AM - Speech Excerpts on the Clean Power Plan

Under embargo until 9AM, below are excerpts from the speech as prepared from Administrator Gina McCarthy. The full text of the speech will be sent out and available around 10:30. It will be livestreamed at [www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov).

**SPEECH EXCERPTS**

And today, climate change-fueled by carbon pollution-supercharges risks not just to our health-but to our communities, our economy, and our way of life. That's why EPA is delivering on a vital piece of President Obama's Climate Action Plan. We're proposing a Clean Power Plan that will cut carbon pollution from our power sector-by using cleaner energy sources, and cutting energy waste.

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Shaped by public input, present trends, proven technologies, and common sense-our Plan aims to cut energy waste and leverage cleaner energy sources by doing two things: First, setting achievable, enforceable state goals to cut carbon pollution, per megawatt hour of electricity generated. And second, laying out a national framework that gives states the flexibility to chart their own, customized path to meet their goals.

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This plan is all about flexibility. That's what makes it ambitious, but achievable. That's how we can keep our energy affordable and reliable. The glue that holds this plan together-and the key to making it work-is that each state's goal is tailored to its own circumstances, and states have the flexibility to reach their goal in whatever way works best for them.

First-to craft state goals-we looked at where states are today, and we followed where they're going. Every state is different-so every goal-and every path-can be different. Second-the goals spring from smart and sensible opportunities that states and businesses are taking advantage of right now-from plant to plug-folks are cutting energy waste and using cleaner energy sources.

All of these options are not new ideas...they're based on proven technologies, proven approaches, and are part of the ongoing story of energy progress in America. Our plan doesn't prescribe-it propels progress already underway.

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The flexibility of our Clean Power Plan affords states the choices that lead them to a healthier future. Choices that level the playing field, and keep options on the table, not off. Choices that reflect where we are today, and look to seize opportunities for tomorrow. Choices that are focused on building up-not shutting down. So we can raise the common denominator for a cleaner, low carbon economy-that'll fuel growth for decades to come. What's special about the flexibility of our plan: is that it doesn't just give states more options-it gives entrepreneurs and investors more options,

too. It'll deliver the certainty that will unleash market forces that drive even more innovation and investment-and spur even cleaner power and all sorts of new low-carbon technologies.

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Despite all that-there are still special interest skeptics who cry the sky is falling. They deliberately ignore the risks, overestimate the costs, and undervalue the benefits. But the facts are clear. For over four decades, EPA has cut air pollution by 70 percent and the economy has more than tripled. All while providing the power we need to keep America strong. Climate action doesn't dull America's competitive edge-it sharpens it. It spurs ingenuity and innovation. In 2011, we exported almost 33% more cars than we did in 2009-a clear sign of a competitive industry. And our fuel efficiency standards strengthen that. Companies like Best Buy are investing in low-carbon operations. Bank of America pays its employees to cut carbon pollution-because investors see climate risk as business opportunity. Any business will tell you-eliminating waste means more money for other things-like hiring employees. Corporate climate action is not bells and whistles-it's all hands on deck. And even without national standards, the energy sector sees the writing on the wall. Businesses like Spectra Energy are investing billions in clean energy. And utilities like Exelon and Entergy are weaving climate considerations into business plans. All this means more jobs, not less....we'll need tens of thousands of American workers-in construction, transmission, and more-to make cleaner power a reality. The bottom line is: we have never-nor will we ever-have to choose between a healthy economy and a healthy environment.

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**Subject:** Re: Embargoed EPA Admin remarks for NWF

Great, thanks for sending these over.

On 5/2/2014 9:38 AM, Purchia, Liz wrote:

Hey there — Here are the Admin's remarks as prepared for tomorrow. It's under embargo until she speaks. Focus is on waters of the US, urban waters federal partnership and the climate action plan.

**Administrator Gina McCarthy, Remarks for NWF Annual Conference, As Prepared  
April 30, 2014 // Baltimore, MD**

I want to start by thanking Larry Schweiger for his tremendous leadership at NWF. Let me add my voice to the chorus of folks that are wishing you well in retirement, Larry. Something tells me you'll still be part of the action, though. And I welcome that. Let me also just congratulate Collin O'Mara, the incoming President and CEO. Collin, you have some big shoes to fill, but I know you're up to the task.

Before I get into it—let me just say my heart goes out to the families in the Baltimore area struck by the flooding and landslides. I wish them a speedy recovery.

Wednesday night, I had the privilege of attending the Conservation Awards Dinner, where President Clinton and others were honored. President Clinton received the “Ding Darling” conservation award. As you know—it was one of Ding's cartoons—and his passion for conservation—that breathed life into this organization.

His cartoon illustrated a simple fact: we are all in this together. From New England birdwatchers and boaters to north western hunters and hikers and everyone in between, what binds us is our common motivation to conserve our precious natural surroundings and wildlife—for our children and our children's children.

That's what draws groups here from around the country to form the largest “*big tent*” conservation federation in America today—the National Wildlife Federation. That “big tent” mentality is the founding spirit of NWF, a spirit that fuels your success. At EPA – that's a concept we're pretty familiar with. Our mission is to protect public health and the environment, not for just a few people—but for every one of us.

For every single one of those birders, hunters, hikers, anglers, and the millions more that have the right to clear air to breathe, clean water to drink, and healthy land to call home. That's what brings *all* of us under the same “big tent.” Since this year's conference theme is water—let's start with that. Recently—with your wind in our sails—EPA took action toward cleaner and safer water for all.

Along with the Army Corps of Engineers, we proposed a rule to clarify the Clean Water Act—the law that's safeguarded water for decades. The theme of this conference is timely—“water: it connects us all”... if I had five words to describe our action—that wouldn't be far from it!

Legal clarity should bring into focus the interconnected wetlands, streams, and ponds that link our larger water bodies. Those millions of acres of wetlands and streams double as pristine habitat for fish and wildlife to flourish. These places are also where 1 in 3 people get their drinking water from—and they help pump billions of dollars into our outdoor economy. Wild spaces are important—but we also have to focus on urban waters.

Through EPA's Urban Waters Federal Partnership—we're working arm-in-arm with local partners in seven pilot cities to restore waterways and reconnect people to the waters and wildlife in their backyards. In Baltimore the Patapsco River feeds this harbor before flowing into the Chesapeake—which is part of the lifeblood of Baltimore's economy. Speaking of the harbor—we know our nation's shipping ports also need to be an important part of the conversation. That's why EPA just kicked off a new initiative to highlight ports that are improving environmental performance.

So we're making strides forward, but with emerging challenges, we have our work cut out for us. Today—our world's wildlife faces the biggest threat it's ever faced when it comes to climate change. In D.C.—there's whole lot of talk. I often say, we could solve the problem a whole lot faster if we just harnessed all the hot air that comes from Washington. The point is—the people in this room—you're more than talk. You see climate impacts up close.

You feel the change in hunting seasons...and the damage dealt to fish stocks. You see the distressed migratory patterns of birds and butterflies. You witness majestic big-game like moose and bison kneel to the influences of a changing climate.

That's why you've stood up and spoken out, and NWF and its affiliates have been a leading chorus of credible voices. And if your aim is to educate our next generation of conservation leaders, let me tell you: it's working. It's working in Boulder, Colorado, where first grader Wesley Schlackter just won an EPA Earth Day poster contest. He drew a poster that featured the plight of the American pika—on his poster were big, bold letters that say, *"78 degrees is too warm for the pika. Our world is getting hotter because of pollution."*

I couldn't have said it better myself. Pikas live in the mountains. And warmer temperatures are chasing the pika to cooler habitats at higher elevations. Wesley understands that pretty soon—the pika is going to run out of mountain. And if we don't heed the urgent call for climate action—we're going to "run out of mountain too."

President Obama's climate action plan helps us answer that call. It's a plan to cut harmful carbon pollution fueling the problem—and a plan to build our nation's resilience to the impacts we face today. The president charged EPA to take commonsense steps to cut carbon pollution from our nation's biggest source: power plants. And that's exactly what we're planning to do.

Ding darling had a kind of foresight that's hard to teach. He once said, *I'm learning the hard way...You have to re-educate the public mind every 15 or 20 years—or it forgets everything it learned a while back.*" Through educating the public, NWF has helped protect our most precious places and wildlife for more than 75 years. For Wesley's future—and the future of all our children—let's continue to educate...let's continue to conserve...and let's act on climate so we can hand down a world as vibrant and full of life as the one we inherited.

Thank you.

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So we're making strides forward, but with emerging challenges, we have our work cut out for us. Today—our world's wildlife faces the biggest threat it's ever faced when it comes to climate change. In D.C.—there's whole lot of talk. I often say, we could solve the problem a whole lot faster if we just harnessed all the hot air that comes from Washington. The point is—the people in this room—you're more than talk. You see climate impacts up close.

You feel the change in hunting seasons...and the damage dealt to fish stocks. You see the distressed migratory patterns of birds and butterflies. You witness majestic big-game like moose and bison kneel to the influences of a changing climate.

That's why you've stood up and spoken out, and NWF and its affiliates have been a leading chorus of credible voices. And if your aim is to educate our next generation of conservation leaders, let me tell you: it's working. It's working in Boulder, Colorado, where first grader Wesley Schlackter just won an EPA Earth Day poster contest. He drew a poster that featured the plight of the American pika—on his poster were big, bold letters that say, *"78 degrees is too warm for the pika. Our world is getting hotter because of pollution."*

I couldn't have said it better myself. Pikas live in the mountains. And warmer temperatures are chasing the pika to cooler habitats at higher elevations. Wesley understands that pretty soon—the pika is going to run out of mountain. And if we don't heed the urgent call for climate action—we're going to "run out of mountain too."

President Obama's climate action plan helps us answer that call. It's a plan to cut harmful carbon pollution fueling the problem—and a plan to build our nation's resilience to the impacts we face today. The president charged EPA to take commonsense steps to cut carbon pollution from our nation's biggest source: power plants. And that's exactly what we're planning to do.

Ding darling had a kind of foresight that's hard to teach. He once said, *I'm learning the hard way...You have to re-educate the public mind every 15 or 20 years—or it forgets everything it learned a while back.*" Through educating the public, NWF has helped protect our most precious places and wildlife for more than 75 years. For Wesley's future—and the future of all our children—let's continue to educate...let's continue to conserve...and let's act on climate so we can hand down a world as vibrant and full of life as the one we inherited.

Thank you.

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Thanks,

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## Friday: Jewell, McCarthy to Address NWF Annual Meeting in Baltimore

On Friday, Interior Secretary Sally Jewell and Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Gina McCarthy are set to address the 78<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the National Wildlife Federation at the Embassy Suites Baltimore Inner Harbor. The National Aquarium, NWF's state affiliate, is playing host to affiliate organizations from across the country for the 2014 NWF Annual Meeting with the theme *Water: It Connects Us All*.

Home to the Chesapeake Bay and 3,190 miles of coastline and tidal areas, protecting clean water is critically important to Maryland. The Environmental Protection Agency and Army Corps of Engineers currently moving forward with Clean Water Act rulemaking defining protections for the "waters of the United States." The EPA is also developing new limits on industrial carbon pollution, urgently needed to safeguard Maryland's wildlife and natural resources from sea level rise fueled by climate change.

The Annual Meeting culminates a week of activities that included Wednesday night's NWF Conservation Achievement Awards that honored President Bill Clinton with the 2014 J.N. "Ding" Darling Conservation Award.

**WHAT:** National Wildlife Federation 78th Annual Meeting

**WHERE:** Embassy Suites Baltimore Inner Harbor, Baltimore, Maryland

**WHEN:**

- ? EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy addresses NWF Annual Meeting Opening General Session (Corinthian, 2nd Floor). Session: 8 – 10:15 a.m, **McCarthy expected to speak at 9:30 a.m.**
- ? Interior Secretary Sally Jewell addresses NWF Action Fund Luncheon (Mirror, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor). Session: 12:30 – 2 p.m., **Jewell expected to speak at 1:10 p.m.**

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**BACKGROUND:**

For generations Americans have enjoyed our nation's clean waters. North America's aquatic resources—rivers and streams, lakes and ponds, wetlands and coastal waters—are among the planet's most biologically rich. These systems are also among the world's most threatened. We need to act swiftly to protect our water resources by cutting the carbon pollution that currently is on track to cause significant warming by mid-century, taking steps to safeguard wildlife and its habitat from the climate changes that we can no longer avoid, redouble our efforts to restore and expand critical habitat, and manage our water resources in a way that ensures that both people and wildlife have the clean and abundant water they need to survive.

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Hopefully not! I hope to finish that by Wednesday. I keep on getting pulled into other things.

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Great- is it for the same story you're working on?

We're chatting about NY today, so should have a better idea about her schedule later on.

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Hi Liz,

Well, I guess I would talk to her more generally about the carbon regs proposal ... I know she won't say anything (unless she wants to... happy to listen ☺). I also want to talk to her more about the engagement that has taken place so far and the EPA's attempts to try to help various groups of people understand what the EPA plans to do.

Thanks much,  
Valerie

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Thanks much,

Valerie

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**April 28, 2014 // Washington, D.C.**

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The work we do together to preserve the integrity of our science is as critical as ever.

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Those critics conjure up claims of "EPA secret science"—but it's not really about EPA science or secrets. It's about challenging the credibility of world renowned scientists and institutions like Harvard University and the American Cancer Society. It's about claiming that research is secret if researchers protect confidential personal health data from those who are not qualified to analyze it—and won't agree to protect it. If EPA is being accused of "secret science" because we rely on real scientists to conduct research, and independent scientists to peer review it, and scientists who've spent a lifetime studying the science to reproduce it — then so be it!



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But still—for some reason—those critics keep launching empty allegations at the work of experts without regard for the damage left behind. Let me share one example.

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As you know, studies with real people are not new. They happen in universities and industries nationwide. That's why there are protocols to follow to ensure the safety of participants – and EPA goes above and beyond them – with independent scientists evaluating the studies before, during and after.

Safeguarding health is our top priority at EPA. In spite of all the safeguards to ensure that no one was put in harm's way—the scientists conducting these studies have been publicly vilified. Their lives have been threatened, their property has been damaged, and they faced the risk that their facility would be shut down. How does that make sense? ...When they were just doing their jobs as scientists – in the safest, most professional, most transparent way possible. They were finding facts and laying them out for all to see. These scientists have devoted their lives to making our lives better.

My guess is that those critics that distrust the most trustworthy institutions—and vilify the work of reputable scientists and EPA—are not trying to provide scientific clarity. My guess is that they're looking to cloud the science with uncertainty—to keep EPA from doing the very job that congress gave us to do.

As scientists and public health professionals—we have an obligation to speak up when sound science is unfairly criticized – just as we have an obligation to question science that is truly secret.

To those calling EPA untrustworthy and unpopular—newsflash! People like us. They want safe drinking water. They want healthy air. And they expect us to follow the science—just as the law demands. And to those failing to see the need to fund scientific research—tell that to Google, built by a couple of students empowered by a national science foundation grant. Don't believe me?—just Google it!

People are entitled to their own opinions, but not their own facts. You can't just claim the science isn't real when it doesn't align well with your political or financial interests. Science is real and verifiable. With the health of our families and our futures at stake, the American people expect us to act on the facts, not spend precious time and taxpayer money refuting manufactured uncertainties.

And what about the worn-out argument that science-driven policies come with unbearable economic costs? Well that just doesn't jive with the facts. The truth is: science has supported regulations, policies and programs that have been good for public health, our planet, and our pocketbooks; for consumers and companies.

If you own a TV or refrigerator, you've probably heard of our ENERGY STAR program. Eight in ten Americans recognize our efficiency labels. ENERGY STAR has saved families and businesses billions of dollars on utility bills, and billions of tons of greenhouse gases. And without our analysis to guarantee savings, ENERGY STAR is just a fancy blue sticker. But infuse it with the power of science—and that little label helps save the planet.

Our science delivers certainty to businesses, and keeps our competitive edge sharp on the global stage. From smoke-stack scrubbers to catalytic converters—America inspires and innovates the world's leading pollution control technologies, accounting for more than 1.5 million jobs and \$44 billion in exports in 2008 alone. That's more than other big U.S. sectors like plastics and rubber products.

Let's keep putting our faith in American ingenuity and innovation and the scientific research that makes them possible. The great thing is—our environmental laws recognize the need to cultivate that innovation.

The bottom line is—we have never—nor will we ever—sacrifice a healthy economy for a healthy environment.

We have decades of progress to prove it. In total, while the clean air act cut air pollution by nearly 70 percent, the economy more than doubled. In the 60's—critics said the catalytic converter would put the brakes on auto production. But guess what? It didn't. Instead, cars got cleaner and air got healthier. In the 90's—critics said amendments to the clean air act would dismantle manufacturing. But guess what? They didn't. Instead, by 2020 the benefits of those amendments will outweigh costs 30 to 1. Today—science has driven us toward historic fuel economy standards—that are doubling how far our cars go on a gallon of gas, slashing carbon pollution, and saving families money at the pump—all while fueling a resurgent American auto industry.

When we follow the science—we all win. This country and the world move forward.

And today: the need to follow the science—and the risks of ignoring it—are crystal clear. Just look at the threat of climate change. From more frequent and intense heat waves, droughts, floods, and storms—to more smog and asthma—climate change has put our health and economic risks on steroids.

Using the best science we have to offer—our next U.S. National Climate Assessment is about to be finalized. From coastal cities to the Great Plains, we have to use that science to prepare and to plan. Just like we use the science on mercury, acid rain, ozone pollution, particulate matter and more.

To reduce the risks that threaten our health and safety, we need to listen to climate science. We cannot let those same critics of science continue to manufacture uncertainties that stop us from taking urgently needed climate action.

If 97 out of 100 doctors said you were really sick—I'd say it's pretty risky to go with the 3 that didn't. Climate evidence is clear: arctic sea ice is receding to new lows. Seas are rising to new highs. And the cost of inaction is escalating: 2012 was a historically expensive year for disasters—with a price tag of \$110 billion dollars. Climate extremes impact insurance premiums, property taxes, food prices, medical bills, and more.

The academy was right to point out that collective climate risk amounts to an overdose of across-the-board risk—to our health, our economy, our environment, and our security. This is what the science tells us – climate change is not the product of conspiracies or political agendas.

And if there's one thing we know with 100 percent certainty—it's that denial and inaction are the biggest dangers of all.

That's why the president's climate action plan to cut carbon pollution—and prepare for climate impacts is so critical. And EPA will deliver our pieces of that plan—without fail.

You know, we've made a lot of progress since the days of the first Earth Day when burning rivers and clouds of smog were "in-your-face" threats. But in many ways, the challenges we face today are more complex and more threatening than ever before. And to fight these challenges we can't rely on the technologies and programs of the past.

If we want America to lead the 21st century—we have to look to science to carve new paths forward.

Decades ago, the National Academies helped EPA build the template we now use to look at health risks. And today—you're helping us weave sustainability into that template—because we can no longer afford to fight environmental threats media by media—or solely rely on the tools and programs that brought us this far.

And thankfully, in the digital age—information is still power – just like it was in the 60's. Today we can gather and disseminate information like never before. EPA and state regulators are no longer the only "boots on the ground" to fight pollution. Technology has empowered people. That's what EPA's Next-Gen program is all about. We have continuous emission monitors on our smokestacks, and handheld devices that can provide real-time data—cheaply and reliably. These technologies are changing the way we do business—and the way businesses do business.

For example, in my home town, in Boston's Charles River, we plan to use state of the art solar technology to post real-time water quality data online. And recently—EPA engineers and scientists have found a way to develop and analyze data from inexpensive fence-line air monitoring technology, giving us the potential to provide much more up to date data.

These data help us and our industries ensure compliance. And more importantly, they help families living in the shadow of large industries sleep better at night. That's what I call environmental justice.

Does that mean we don't need EPA boots on the ground? No way. But it does mean that electronic data and new technologies expand our ability to hold polluters accountable, and to engage more diverse communities in our collective effort to protect public health and the environment.

In fact, our ability to collect and deliver data has literally reached the space age. We're teaming up with NASA to use a "hyperspectral imager" mounted on the international space station—to examine coastal water quality like we've never done before. One day, we hope to be able to forecast water quality on a daily basis.

Today—the risks we face are different. The solutions we craft must also be different. But just like it was decades ago—that same call to action is loud and clear. Our commitment to science must remain strong.

You know, in the years leading up to the first Earth Day, California governor Jerry Brown said we've "hit the moon with a rocket, and can take close-up photos of Mars—certainly [we] can produce a device that will mean cleaner air for California." Well that's exactly what we did. Science is how we turned "cutting edge" into "commonplace". It's how we swept away much of L.A.'s haze.

Progress built on science has defined EPA's success, and delivered a safer and healthier environment to the American people.

But there is much work left to be done. As we take action to reduce carbon pollution and make our communities more resilient in the face of a changing climate—let's keep speaking up for the leading role of science in America's continuing story of progress.

I know I speak for everyone at EPA—and people all across America—when I say thank you for all you have done for me and my family. Your work is the cornerstone of a better future—and we're counting on you now more than ever before.

Thanks again for having me.

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If you own a TV or refrigerator, you've probably heard of our ENERGY STAR program. Eight in ten Americans recognize our efficiency labels. ENERGY STAR has saved families and businesses billions of dollars on utility bills, and billions of tons of greenhouse gases. And without our analysis to guarantee savings, ENERGY STAR is just a fancy blue sticker. But infuse it with the power of science—and that little label helps save the planet.

Our science delivers certainty to businesses, and keeps our competitive edge sharp on the global stage. From smoke-stack scrubbers to catalytic converters—America inspires and innovates the world's leading pollution control technologies, accounting for more than 1.5 million jobs and \$44 billion in exports in 2008 alone. That's more than other big U.S. sectors like plastics and rubber products.

Let's keep putting our faith in American ingenuity and innovation and the scientific research that makes them possible. The great thing is—our environmental laws recognize the need to cultivate that innovation.

The bottom line is—we have never—nor will we ever—sacrifice a healthy economy for a healthy environment.

We have decades of progress to prove it. In total, while the clean air act cut air pollution by nearly 70 percent, the economy more than doubled. In the 60's—critics said the catalytic converter would put the brakes on auto production. But guess what? It didn't. Instead, cars got cleaner and air got healthier. In the 90's—critics said amendments to the clean air act would dismantle manufacturing. But guess what? They didn't. Instead, by 2020 the benefits of those amendments will outweigh costs 30 to 1. Today—science has driven us toward historic fuel economy standards—that are doubling how far our cars go on a gallon of gas, slashing carbon pollution, and saving families money at the pump—all while fueling a resurgent American auto industry.

When we follow the science—we all win. This country and the world move forward.

And today: the need to follow the science—and the risks of ignoring it—are crystal clear. Just look at the threat of climate change. From more frequent and intense heat waves, droughts, floods, and storms—to more smog and asthma—climate change has put our health and economic risks on steroids.

Using the best science we have to offer—our next U.S. National Climate Assessment is about to be finalized. From coastal cities to the Great Plains, we have to use that science to prepare and to plan. Just like we use the science on mercury, acid rain, ozone pollution, particulate matter and more.

To reduce the risks that threaten our health and safety, we need to listen to climate science. We cannot let those same critics of science continue to manufacture uncertainties that stop us from taking urgently needed climate action.

If 97 out of 100 doctors said you were really sick—I'd say it's pretty risky to go with the 3 that didn't. Climate evidence is clear: arctic sea ice is receding to new lows. Seas are rising to new highs. And the cost of inaction is escalating: 2012 was a historically expensive year for disasters—with a price tag of \$110 billion dollars. Climate extremes impact insurance premiums, property taxes, food prices, medical bills, and more.

The academy was right to point out that collective climate risk amounts to an overdose of across-the-board risk—to our health, our economy, our environment, and our security. This is what the science tells us – climate change is not the product of conspiracies or political agendas.

And if there's one thing we know with 100 percent certainty—it's that denial and inaction are the biggest dangers of all.

That's why the president's climate action plan to cut carbon pollution—and prepare for climate impacts is so critical. And EPA will deliver our pieces of that plan—without fail.

You know, we've made a lot of progress since the days of the first Earth Day when burning rivers and clouds of smog were "in-your-face" threats. But in many ways, the challenges we face today are more complex and more threatening than ever before. And to fight these challenges we can't rely on the technologies and programs of the past.

If we want America to lead the 21st century—we have to look to science to carve new paths forward.

Decades ago, the National Academies helped EPA build the template we now use to look at health risks. And today—you're helping us weave sustainability into that template—because we can no longer afford to fight environmental threats media by media—or solely rely on the tools and programs that brought us this far.

And thankfully, in the digital age—information is still power – just like it was in the 60's. Today we can gather and disseminate information like never before. EPA and state regulators are no longer the only "boots on the ground" to fight pollution. Technology has empowered people. That's what EPA's Next-Gen program is all about. We have continuous emission monitors on our smokestacks, and handheld devices that can provide real-time data—cheaply and reliably. These technologies are changing the way we do business—and the way businesses do business.

For example, in my home town, in Boston's Charles River, we plan to use state of the art solar technology to post real-time water quality data online. And recently—EPA engineers and scientists have found a way to develop and analyze data from inexpensive fence-line air monitoring technology, giving us the potential to provide much more up to date data.

These data help us and our industries ensure compliance. And more importantly, they help families living in the shadow of large industries sleep better at night. That's what I call environmental justice.

Does that mean we don't need EPA boots on the ground? No way. But it does mean that electronic data and new technologies expand our ability to hold polluters accountable, and to engage more diverse communities in our collective effort to protect public health and the environment.

In fact, our ability to collect and deliver data has literally reached the space age. We're teaming up with NASA to use a "hyperspectral imager" mounted on the international space station—to examine coastal water quality like we've never done before. One day, we hope to be able to forecast water quality on a daily basis.

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**Sent:** 12/4/2017 6:25:36 PM  
**To:** Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: notes from OMB call on Contingency Planning

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**Sent:** Friday, December 1, 2017 5:24 PM  
**To:** Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Daniell, Kelsi <daniell.kelsi@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>  
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The WH press call was also about this today – basically, **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** – easy enough.

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Government Wide Contingency Planning call notes:

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- Follow-up call not scheduled for next week yet
- No Deputy Secretary or Chief Staff calls scheduled yet
- If needed additional calls will be scheduled early next week

They will send out follow up information as needed.

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**Sent:** 9/29/2017 1:40:13 PM  
**To:** FCN@LIST.NIH.GOV  
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Hi everyone,

Someone asked me if I knew of a Twitter-specific social media policy and these are the links I shared. If you know of any other good ones I'd appreciate it as we can add the links to FCN's OMB MAX page (or you can do so directly). I personally am interested in an official policy for the use of Quora.com, the question and answer site. Several years ago, Carolyn Hinkley developed one and it was terrific, but we did not end up using it.

Official use of Twitter

<https://www.cdc.gov/socialmedia/tools/guidelines/twitter.html>

Please note this: "Develop a strategy for identifying and retweeting or replying to posts from partners and followers."

General policy from NARA on official use of social media

<https://www.archives.gov/files/social-media/policies/831-2.pdf>

GSA policies including official and unofficial use

<https://www.gsa.gov/about-us/newsroom/social-media/gsa-social-media-policy>

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Happy Friday,

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Team,

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Please keep this info close hold.

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